



Dear MOMATYC attendees and members,

It is with great pleasure that I get to write this letter to you after a successful 2017 Spring Conference at [Three Rivers College](#) in Poplar Bluff, MO. We want to thank Nicole Sifford for being a local liaison to assist with planning the conference. If you were there you probably remember the view above as Room 108 in the Plaster Free Enterprise building on campus.



The campus and building were both beautiful and we were glad to have our conference in this part of the state. Exactly one year from today we will be down in Branson at [Ozark Technical Community College – Table Rock Campus](#). One of our newest directors on the MOMATYC board, Trisha White, will be our local liaison to assist in what is sure to be a fantastic 2018 Spring Conference from April 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars and prepare, it is going to be the most exciting conference in the state that weekend exactly a year from now!

Please follow the links below to get access to presenter documents from the conference last weekend.  
<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B73NbqkwXEMlZEIbc3o1YjhPcTg>

Laurie McManus, a mathematics faculty member at STLCC-Meramec, is writing a history of MOMATYC. She will be sending a draft version to all campuses for review. You will be asked to provide feedback to ensure accuracy and to contact any retired mathematics faculty members who you think might provide additional perspectives on our history. If you have any historical artifacts such as meeting minutes, meeting agendas, conference programs, etc. please send them to:

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If you would like to send scanned documents, Laurie's email address is [lmcmamus@stlcc.edu](mailto:lmcmamus@stlcc.edu). Information prior to 1990 is especially appreciated.

### **YOUR NEW MOMATYC BOARD**

Past President – [Kim Granger](#) – Kim has served in the role of president for three years and president-elect for two years before becoming past president. She has been actively involved with the national affiliate AMATYC for most of those years. Kim has served on the statewide Pathways Taskforce helping Missouri develop pathways at the state level. She is currently a professor of mathematics at St. Louis Community College – Wildwood.

President – [Jason Boehm](#) – Jason was born in Missouri and has lived and worked in Missouri his entire life. He finished his BSE (Mathematics) from Hannibal-LaGrange University in 2004, finished his M.A. in Mathematics from SLU in 2009, and is currently working on his Ed.D. in Higher Education Leadership at Missouri Baptist University. Jason has worked in middle school, high school, as a graduate assistant, and St. Louis Community College at Florissant Valley. He participated in Cohort 11 of the AMATYC Project ACCESS before joining the executive board of MOMATYC.

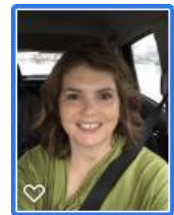


President-Elect – [Michael Lueke](#) - Mike Lueke is a native of Kentucky and moved to St. Louis to study mathematics at SLU. He has lived in St. Louis, Washington, DC, and Baltimore, Maryland. After teaching for ten years on the East coast, he returned to St. Louis in 2011 when he started teaching at St Louis Community College Forest Park. He's been an active member of AMATYC since 2010 and MOMATYC since 2011, serving on the Executive board since 2014.



Treasurer – [Donna Kessler](#) – Donna has been treasurer of MOMATYC since 2015 and has recently been elected to another two-year term. Donna has served on the board as a director for several years prior to serving as treasurer. Donna is currently working as a full-time instructor at Moberly Area Community College – Mexico, MO. She and her husband are actively involved with the Missouri Pork Growers association.

Secretary – [Sarah Sexton](#) - Sarah Sexton is originally from Elizabethtown, Kentucky. She graduated from the University of Kentucky with a degree in Civil Engineering and worked briefly as a highway construction engineer. In the winter months when construction was slow, Sarah would visit local middle and high school classes and talk with them about becoming an engineer. She loved her winter job so much that she quit her job as an engineer and became a middle and high school math teacher in a small Christian school in Winchester, KY. After the birth of her son, Jacob, Sarah began to work with the local homeschool community in Kentucky teaching individual math classes and tutoring for students enrolled at the local community college. Sarah moved to Missouri in the summer of 2010 and began working for East Central College as an adjunct instructor. In 2012, Sarah enrolled as a student at Missouri S&T and completed her Masters degree in Applied Mathematics in December 2014. Since graduation from S&T, Sarah has perfected her title of "road warrior", often traveling 900 miles a week between adjunct positions at Missouri S&T, East Central College, and St. Louis Community College. In her spare time, Sarah likes to make others drive her places and fancies herself a pretty good knitter. She also loves Kentucky Basketball and spending time with her husband Tim, son Jacob, and two spoiled puppies Clara and Charlie.



Director – [Patricia Suess Ph.D.](#) - Pat has been a member of the MOMATYC Board since 2012, serving in the position of Secretary. She also is a member of AMATYC, having served as a State Delegate the past five years and a member of the 2017 Nominating Committee. Pat is a Professor of Mathematics at St. Louis Community College - Florissant Valley (STLCC-FV). She began teaching at STLCC-FV in 1999. She is currently the Principal Investigator on a NSF funded STEM Scholarship Program. She has also taught at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, the University of Missouri - Columbia, Fontbonne University, and Maryville University. Prior to joining the STLCC faculty, Pat was the President of Software Systems Specialists, Inc., a company she founded after working at McDonnell Douglas Aircraft Company. Her professional interests are in educational technology and applied mathematics.

Director – [Sarah Henry](#) – Sarah has been employed at St. Louis Community College- Meramec since August 2014 and previously worked at East Central College January 2013 – July 2014. She earned her M.A. Mathematics, SLU 2012 and B.S. Mathematics, UCM 2010.

Director – [Trisha White](#) - Trish White is the Lead Math Instructor at Ozarks Technical Community College - Richwood Valley Campus. Before coming to OTC six years ago, she taught at an international high school in Jerusalem, Israel. She is excited to serve on the MOMATYC board and learn all she can from her fellow math instructors!



Director – [Lindsay Steighorst](#) – Lindsay has been employed as an adjunct instructor with Jefferson College since 8/12 which includes teaching courses ranging from Beginning Algebra through Calculus II. She earned her M.A. Mathematics, UMSL 2012 and B.S. Middle School Mathematics, 2009. Mrs. Steighorst is happily married with two children, Mia and Max, and two dogs (Boxer & Pomeranian). Her favorite student comment regarding most worthwhile aspect of course: "Learning math and finding out it's easy!"



This monthly newsletter is the first of many, I have quite a few ideas about how to keep everyone in the state informed and involved with our organization. If you would prefer to not receive these emails, please let me know and I will remove you from the mailing list. If there are others you would like to add to the list, please let me know. I want to keep everyone connected throughout the year, not just the month of the conference.

I hope this email finds you well at this point in the Spring semester. Hang in there, just a few more weeks until summer.