

MGSC Meeting – 07/21/17

Attending: Bly, Scott, Wiczorek

1. **Grad Students assigning colloquium speakers:** Mark will email Dr. Feng for more info.
2. **MGSC Awards Plaque:** Mark will look into it and talk to Pam.
3. **Dinner After Diagnostics:** Reservation for 3:30 at Sunspot last year. Will do the same this year.
4. **Jump Jam:** Will do August 19<sup>th</sup>, Saturday after prelims. Communication with other students will be primarily via email. The time will be 12:30 (or later depending on availability). One-hour tickets. If someone has grip socks, they save three dollars.
5. **Eclipse:** Send out info email two weeks ahead of time, but no plans otherwise.
6. **Donuts:** Two dozen donuts is too much (only 35 cent profit per donut if we sell all of them). Increase demand by buying one dozen. Maggie will be Donut Queen at the start of the semester, but Jimmy and Mark are available if she gets worn down by the responsibility.
7. **PDLs:** There will be six of them, three each semester. Three of them are repeated: CVs and resumes, job interviews, and teaching/research statements. The others are possibly flexible. Ideas: negotiating, work/life balance, flipped classrooms, things to do in math outside of academia. We could moderate the PDLs.
  - a. New idea is “how to attend conferences and seminars well.” Points: writing/reading an abstract, networking at conferences, getting the most out of talks. Maybe recruit Dr. Feng, Remus? Plan for October.
  - b. Another idea: Teaching College Throwdown! Get three people from these universities. Hold the seminar in the afternoon or evening, to work with the schedules of the professors. Maybe buy them dinner? Plan for early March.
8. **Google Folder for CVs, Teaching Statements, Research Statements:** Cara is willing to do it. Maggie could send an email inquiring about multiple moderators.
9. **Teaching Certification:** Think about for now.