Elizabeth Schott* (eschott@fsw.edu), Laurice Garrett (laurice.garrett@fsw.edu) and Kelsea Livingstone (kelsea.livingstone@fsw.edu). Creating a Mathematics Community of Best Practices.

Over the last decade, the faculty members of the math department of Florida SouthWestern State College have explored methods to foster a collaborative community for investigating the best techniques for teaching mathematics. This talk will look at the process initially used to establish a formal community of best practices in our department and trace its progress over the last five years. The discussion will focus on the challenges of maintaining the process over time, the success of our integration into the community of professional development activities within college, and the challenges of maintaining the community to include the selection and presentation of relevant topics, the challenges of incorporating adjuncts, and the challenge of including all faculty across multiple campuses. Finally, we will share the best and worst of our past meetings. (Received September 17, 2019)