

MAEMSP/MASSP JOINT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

Fairmont Hot Springs

April 4, 2018 9:00 am to 10:00 am

In attendance: MAEMSP Executives: Lance Boyd, Pam Meier, Craig Crawford, Jon Konen
MASSP Executives: Joel Graves, Peter Hamilton, Jake Haynes,
SAM Office: Kirk Miller, Pat Audet, Gary Wagner, Kim Scofield

Absent: Dan Kimzey

Presidents *Lance Boyd* and *Joel Graves* called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

1. Introductions

2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda

3. Consideration of Montana Principals Conference 2018 Revenue and Expenditure Distribution

Kirk stated that 183 conference attendees and 102 pre-conference attendees: 133 MAEMSP (6 nonmembers) and 50 MASSP (5 nonmembers). This breaks down to 73% MAEMSP and 27% MASSP. It was decided that this is how the profit/loss will be disbursed.

Joel asked if there was feedback from MASSP members detailing why the conference registration is low. Pat stated that superintendents may be worried about who will be in the buildings with principals gone and budget. Lance stated that GFPS has fewer attendees because of budget issues. Pam asked if Kirk felt there was superintendent support. Kirk felt most superintendents he talked to were supportive. The MASS regional directors added this topic to their region meeting agendas to inform members that the joint conference was taking place. This allowed advanced planning for districts. The board members discussed whether to survey the members about their conversations with their superintendents about attending the joint conference.

Kirk stated that the board members need to decide if they want to continue with a joint conference in the future. The decision needs to be made quickly. Lance stated that it would be important to go to a format that included opening and closing speakers but also MT speakers for breakout sessions. Gary confirmed that having local speakers can help cut back on expenses. Craig mentioned that he would like to focus on mental health of both students and staff as a theme for next year. Kirk confirmed that both SAM AI and MCEL will also include focus zones around mental health. Jon mentioned Stacy York as a keynote speaker. Lance mentioned a clinical psychologist in Billings. Craig has spoken to people at Intermountain and Shodair. Pam and Lance have had contact from speakers in the Governor's office.

Lance wondered about looking for an alternate date for the joint conference. He feels late January is a good time, but wondered if it works for secondary principals. Peter wondered about Sunday - Tuesday conference dates. The board members don't feel a survey will be worthwhile. It was decided that the board members should discuss the idea of moving the conference to late January or early February focusing on mental health and meet digitally on Thursday, April 19th at 8:00am to decide about planning next year's conference.

4. [Montana Principals Conference 2018 Schedule](#) – Pam Meier and Joel Graves

Pam stated that all speakers have a board member to assist them. Raffle tickets will be sold for \$1/ticket or 6 tickets for \$5. All board members will be selling tickets. Joel wants to make an announcement to tell people to keep their half of the winnings and not to feel obligated to donate the money back to MAEMSP/MASSP. Kirk

suggested that all board members stand to be recognized. Beads will be sold for \$1/string for Heads and Tails. Beads will be sold during the social hour and banquet. Board members will be selling beads and Lance will announce the game. Kirk suggested that the awards banquet move quickly. It was decided that Heads and Tails take place at the end of the banquet. Regional prizes will be given at the end of the conference on Friday. Pam and Joel will give their “Passion of Prizes” after breaks. Pam has slips of paper for people to register for prizes. Pat reviewed the script for the awards banquet. The head table consists of the executive boards, the two national presidents, and Dave Wick. Lance suggested beginning to move people in to the banquet from the reception at 6:15 will be beneficial. Gary stated the bar will stay in the foyer after the banquet starts to help with noise.

5. Montana Principals Conference 2018 Assignment of Duties – *Pam Meier and Joel Graves*
6. Montana Principals Conference 2018 Awards Banquet and Activities – *Jon Konen and Dan Kimzey*
7. [MASSP](#) and [MAEMSP](#) Business Meeting Agendas and Logistics – *Lance Boyd and Joel Graves*

The Board members will be at the head table with the national president will be at the head table for MAEMSP Business Meeting. There is no head table for the MASSP Business Meeting. Middle School Board Representative Report needs to be added to the MAEMSP Business meeting agenda.

8. Consideration of 2019 MASSP and MAEMSP Conference(s)
See the discussion above and plans for a MAEMSP/MASSP Joint Executive Board Web Meeting on April 19, 2018 from 8:00-9:00 am to make decisions on the 2019 conference.
9. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 9:56 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

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