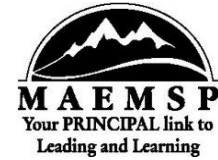


MAEMSP/MASSP Joint Executive Web Meeting DRAFT Minutes

April 19, 2018 8:00 am to 9:00 am



In Attendance:

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

Absent: Kirk Miller

Presidents *Lance Boyd* and *Joel Graves* call the meeting to order at 8:00 am

1. Introductions

Lance and Joel conducted introductions and called the meeting to order at 8:02am.

2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda

None noted.

3. Consider [MAEMSP MASSP Joint Executive Board Meeting DRAFT Minutes 4-4-18](#)

Joel Graves made a motion to approve the minutes; Peter Hamilton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Montana Principals Conference 2018 (MPC18) Revenue and Expenditure Distribution

[Montana Principals Conference 2018 Profit/Loss Statement](#)

Gary referenced the profit and loss statement. He is still waiting for Dr. Tony Sinanis' travel expenses, (which he estimated for the report) but the rest of the statement is complete. MAEMSP will earn a profit of just under \$7000 and MASSP a profit of nearly \$2500, which was better than initially thought. Joel stated that he is happy with the profit and has heard from many members that they enjoyed the joint conference. Joel asked about the MASSP typical profit from a conference. Gary stated that typical profits are around \$7000 for MASSP and \$17,000 - \$20,000 for MAEMSP. Pat stated that a speaker expense of \$20,000 is a large amount; however, it can also encourage attendance.

5. Review of MPC18 Evaluation and Comments Received

[Montana Principals Conference Pre-Conference 2018 Evaluation](#)

[Montana Principals Conference 2018 Evaluation](#)

[Input from Superintendents about Montana Principals Conference](#)

Lance reference the evaluations. Gary stated that for the most part attendees enjoyed the joint conference and the speakers. Very few complaints were expressed through the evaluations. He stated that a few comments asked for gluten-free meals. All hotels that we work with can provide gluten-free meals if asked. Pat pointed out that one comment stated the awards portion was too long. The board feels that the award ceremony was efficient. Mitch Craft was the lowest rated speaker. Pam highlighted that a January conference time seemed to be a common comment as was wanting more time with exhibitors. Pat referenced the input received from superintendents. A few superintendents suggested a summer conference. The MASS Board of Directors discussed the combined conference at their last meeting and were not in favor of a summer principals conference. Most feedback was positive and they will seek additional feedback at the May regional meetings. Peter stated that several northcentral superintendents are not in favor of a joint conference and his superintendent will not allow attendance in the future. He has also heard from a couple of basketball coaches that a January conference may be difficult to attend.

6. Consideration of 2019 MASSP and MAEMSP Conference(s)

Lance asked for input about planning next year's conference. Craig stated that he feels a January conference is meeting the needs of many districts. Pat asked the board to consider whether a preconference is necessary, as the preconference is usually meant to invite teacher teams. He also stated that the MASS conference format follows a Sunday evening board meeting followed by a Monday - Tuesday conference. Pat asked Craig if this format would accommodate the Shodair employees that Craig is considering inviting. Joel favors a Sunday - Tuesday. Lance thinks the focus of mental health will draw teacher teams to a preconference. Joel and Lance did not hear any negative feedback and have support of their superintendents. In fact, one of the conference speakers will be visiting Eureka schools in the near future.

Craig Crawford made a motion to host a joint principals conference in 2019; Pam Meier seconded.

Joel Graves made a motion to host a joint principals conference in 2019; Jake Haynes seconded.

Peter stated that he may not be able to attend and has received that directive from his superintendent. Jake asked about hosting a joint conference every other year. Lance stated that it will be difficult to hold a conference without the president. Joel stated that it bothers him that the board would let one superintendent dictate their conference planning.

MAEMSP: The vote passed unanimously.

MASSP: The vote passed 3 to 1.

Lance asked for input for dates of the joint conference. Craig suggested January 27 - 29, 2018 in Helena. Jon pointed out that the legislative session will be taking place at that time, which could be favorable.

Jon Konen made a motion to hold a joint conference January 27 - 29, 2018 in Helena; Craig Crawford seconded.

Gary asked if Craig is okay with him signing the contract that has been drafted with the Radisson. Craig confirmed.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lance and Joel offered their support in planning the conference. Craig suggested allowing registrations for individual sessions as well as whole-conference registration. Pat stated that the Helena Schools could possibly sponsor part of the conference and send teacher teams to the conference. Gary stated that in the past this has been a guarantee that a district will commit to sending a certain number of registrants.

Pat asked if a preconference was a consideration on Sunday. Lance would like time to consider the logistics before making that decision. Peter and Craig agreed. Craig suggested that board meetings be held at the end of the conference, however Pat stated that board meetings need to take place before the affiliate business meetings. Pam asked about speaker attendance on Sundays. Craig thinks it will be possible. Jon stated that he would like to have a board dinner and invite speakers. He understands that this costs more money but feels it is important. Joel agreed. Gary stated that vendors are also sometimes interested in sponsoring a dinner, in fact Edgenuity reached out to him about this for 2019. Craig stated that the board members would continue working on conference planning. Gary suggested that when board members are securing speakers they receive a contract from the speakers, especially those coming from out of state.

7. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:47am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kimberly Scofield
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