

**MASSP Board Leadership Web Meeting DRAFT Minutes**  
**Tuesday, December 3, 2019**  
**10:00 – 11:00 AM**



In attendance: Jake Haynes, Shawn Hendrickson, Peter Hamilton, Shelly Weight, Dustin Gordon, KJ Poepping, Kirk Miller, Kim Scofield

Not in attendance: Justin Helvik, Paul Furthmyre, Sheri Heavrin, Shawn Bleth

Items for Discussion

President, Jake Haynes, introduced all board members present and called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM.

1. Review of [MASSP Board Leadership Web Meeting DRAFT Minutes 9-18-19](#)

**Dustin Gordon made a motion to approve the minutes; KJ Poepping seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

2. MASSP Topics and Info

- a. [Montana Principals Conference 2020](#) – Jake

Jake reviewed the list of speakers for the conference. He asked board members to encourage members from their regions to attend. Kirk stated that member pricing is applicable to all SAM members.

- b. Review of [MASSP Financial Report 2019-20](#)

Kirk reviewed the financial report.

- c. MASSP Elections ([Rotation Schedule](#))

Jake referenced the MASSP Election Rotation Schedule. K.J. stated that Region VI will elect a new director for next year and that there has been interest in the position from the region. Dustin stated that he will be Region II Director again. Jake reviewed the election of the state coordinator position.

Dustin asked if the Vice President application deadline could be extended to after the conference. Kirk reviewed the bylaws and process for election/appointment stating that candidates give a brief speech at the conference and that ballots must go out to the membership immediately following the conference. He encouraged board members to reach out to members in their regions for nominations.

- d. Consideration of adding MASSP representative attending the NASSP Leadership Advocacy Conference [Proposal with Rationale](#) [Proposed Revision to MASSP ODR Handbook](#) [Action]

Jake reviewed the proposal stating that sending an additional board member would provide more advocacy education and experience. He proposed sending the MASSP Vice President along with the State Coordinator and President Elect.

**Shelley Weight made a motion to send the VP to the NASSP Advocacy Conference. Dustin Gordon seconded the motion.**

Question- Shawn asked if someone else would be sent if the Vice President was unable to attend. Kirk stated that it would be a board decision to appoint someone else to attend in place of the Vice President if they choose.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

Kirk reviewed the changes that would be made to the MASSP ODR Handbook to reflect the attendance of the Vice President at the NASSP Leadership Advocacy Conference.

**Shelley Weight made a motion to make the necessary revisions to the ODR; KJ seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

- e. [MT-PEC Collaborative Professional Development Flexibility & Efficiency - Framework](#)  
Kirk explained that members can find the information on the SAM website under the Professional Learning tab. He also reviewed the framework and the video webinars available to SAM members.
- f. [GREAT 2019](#) released at MCEL 2019, Oct 16-18 in Billings for school district use  
Kirk explained that the GREAT 2019 publication is a tool to help initiate conversations in communities throughout the state. He asked board members to share this resource with members in their regions.
- g. The [Jamie Vollmer](#) “Great Conversation”  
Jake described the benefit of Jamie’s message at MCEL. Kirk stated that Jamie is now a SAM Business Partner which will provide SAM members with Jamie’s resources for \$99 per school instead of \$256. Jake stated that Frenchtown School District is going to “tell their story” by advertising what is going on in their district on billboards outside their schools. Kirk encouraged board members to share this information with region members.
- h. SAM Needs Assessment coming in December – please encourage members to complete  
Kirk stated that the survey requires approximately 10-15 minutes to complete and will be sent directly to SAM members.
- i. [Montana District/School Leadership Staffing DRAFT Report 2019-20](#)  
Kirk reviewed the report and stated that it will be sent to Montana newspapers and legislators later today.
- j. [Award Opportunities](#)  
A report of the number of nominations submitted will be included in the meeting follow up email.
- k. [Student Data Privacy/Terms of Service META Project – HB 745](#)  
Kirk stated that META has been working for two years on this project and will be launching it soon. SAM members will receive information, including webinars, for how to implement HB 745.

- l. SAM Leadership offer to visit regional meetings  
Jake stated that Kirk is willing to attend region meetings to provide a SAM update.
  - m. Using the MASSP Community Forums (Instructions on how to use SAM Community Forums - [Document](#) or [Video](#)) and [MASS webpage](#) for resources
3. Updates from the Regions – *Regional Directors*
- Region 1 Shawn Hendrickson – St. Ignatius  
Shawn reported that the first region meeting was at Flathead HS in October. Approximately 16 members attended the meeting. Flathead HS administrators presented and provided a tour of their new building. They discussed conference attendance, LPLP, and the scholarship the region will be offering. The February meeting will be held at Big Sky High School.
  - Region 2 Dustin Gordon – Fairfield  
Dustin reported that he spent time this fall calling administrators in his region who have Sup/Principals duties. Six of these members attended the last meeting. Vaping and safety concerns were topics of discussion.
  - Region 3 Sheri Heavrin – Broadwater - Townsend  
No report
  - Region 4 Shawn Bleth – Malta - No report
  - Region 5 Shelly Weight – Forsyth  
Shelly stated that it has been difficult to schedule a meeting. A meeting is tentatively scheduled for this week. She asked Dustin how to get involvement from Sup/Principal administrators. He stated that he sent the agenda out early to try to get interest. Shelly stated that Region 5 has been discussing inviting elementary principals. Dustin stated that he will be attending his region’s MASS meeting to report.
  - Region 6 K. J. Poepping – Shepherd –  
KJ reported that the fall meeting was well attended. The last meeting was postponed due to a power outage. He plans to reschedule another meeting before Christmas and plans to invite elementary principals.

Shelly asked about the google sheet of paid members. The SAM office will re-share this document later today.

4. [Membership Report](#) – *Kirk*  
Kirk stated that SAM currently has 1074 members – an all-time record. MASSP membership is higher this year than last year. He mentioned that MASS gained an extra seat on the national governing board due to increased membership. Jake encouraged region directors to contact new principals in their region to discuss membership.
5. [Advocacy Update](#)
- a. [SAM 2019 Advocacy Priorities, Positions, Resolutions Approved 10-18-19](#) – *Paul & Kirk*  
Kirk stated that
  - b. [Federal Issues](#) Update – *Paul and Kirk*  
Kirk described where to find the information on the SAM website.
  - c. [SCOTUS consideration of Espinoza vs. MT Dept of Revenue – SCOTUS Blog, Ballotpedia, MQEC update](#) – *Kirk*  
Kirk reviewed the Supreme Court case that will be heard on January 2, 2020 stating that SAM has been active in supporting the side of the MT Dept of Revenue.

6. Professional Learning 2019-20

- a. [SAM LPLP 2019-20](#)
- b. [2019-20 SAM Conference - Meeting Schedule](#) and [2019-20 SAM and Affiliate Board Meeting Schedule](#)

Jake stated that the next MASSP Board meeting will take place at the conference in January. Kirk stated that a joint MAEMSP/MASSP Board meeting will be held followed by individual meetings.

7. What's on Your Mind...

**Dustin Gordon made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Shelly Weight seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kimberly Scofield  
Director of Professional Learning and Member Services