

# MASS Board Leadership Web Meeting

## DRAFT Minutes

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM



In attendance: Cal Ketchum, Bart Hawkins, Heather Davis Schmidt, Loren Dunk, Scott Chauvet, Tobin Novasio, Kirk Miller, Pat Audet, Kim Scofield

Absent: Alex Ator, Annette Hart, Greg Dern, Laurie Barron, Mike Perry, Nate Olson, Renee Rasmussen, Rick Duncan, Teri Harris, Bryan Kott,

### Items for Discussion

1. [MASS Board Leadership Web Meeting DRAFT Minutes 4-17-18](#)

**Loren Dunk made a motion to approve the minutes; Scott Chauvet seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

2. President's Report - *Cal*

- [MASS Fall Conference 2018](#)

Cal stated that the Fall Conference will focus on school culture and school safety. Jody Urquhar will be the closing keynote speaker. Noel Ellerson Ng will be presenting. Cal will send out a draft agenda when it is ready. Cal asked for ideas for how to get new members to the conference.

- New Board Member Orientation - Friday 6/15 12:30-4:00 pm (after SAM Delegate Assembly) or UberConference for 1 hour on an agreed upon date before 6/14

Cal suggested an Uberconference for the New Board Member Orientation since he and other board members will not be attending Delegate Assembly. The SAM Office will send out a Doodle Poll to get this scheduled. Heather asked when strategic planning will be scheduled. Kirk stated that face-to-face strategic planning works best. The SAM Office will send out a Doodle Poll to find a time to schedule the New Board Member Orientation (June 14th, June 15th or July 30th).

3. President Elect's Report – *Mike*

- AASA State Leadership Conference Report

Kirk, Cal, and Mike attended the conference in Los Angeles, which is the location of NCE 2019. He encouraged board members to attend. Kirk stated that those planning to attend NCE to let Kim know so attendees can be part of the room block and to allow for planning of activities for the Montana contingency.

4. MASS Strategic Plan Update – *Tobin and Kirk*

- Scan the Horizon ([What to Do – Slides 10-18](#)) ([Sample](#)) ([Doc](#))

- Next Session(s) – Friday 6/15 12:30-4:00 pm (after SAM Delegate Assembly) – Monday 7/30 4:00-7:00 pm (after SAM AI)

Kirk thanked those that contributed to the Scan the Horizon document. The next step is to set goals and using the ideas in the document helps to contemporize the goals. As stated earlier, the SAM Office will send out a Doodle Poll to schedule a time for Strategic Planning.

5. Results of the MASS School Safety Survey – *Tobin*

Tobin stated that Pat and Greg have been compiling the information. Pat will post the compilation on the MASS Board Meeting webpage. The survey revealed that MASS members want the focus to be on mental health and feel that those that carry guns need to have extensive training. Kirk added that the issue of school safety will be in front of delegate assembly. The findings of the survey revealed that 62% of respondents do not feel that SAM should take a position on weapons in schools. Cal asked if the board members feel that legislators should be invited to the fall conference. Kirk stated that the data right now shows that SAM will not take a position, however delegate assembly may produce different information. Cal will wait until after Delegate Assembly to consider extending an invitation to legislators.

6. MASS Info and Topics – *Cal*

· MASS Regional Presidents 2018-19:

Pat stated that Alex Ator, Greg Dern, and Bryan Kott are new regional presidents. However, Bryan Kott is moving to Laurel.

· MASS Regional Superintendents of the Year 2018-19

Pat referenced the nine Regional Superintendents of the Year: Chad Sealey (C), Dinny Bennett (SE), Steve Bradshaw (NW), Voyd St. Pierre (HL), Mark Thane (W), Loren Dunk (NC), Rob Watson (4R), John Fitzgerald (SC), and Bob Connors (NE).

· MASS Membership – *Pat*

Pat stated that 39 MASS members have paid their MASS memberships for 2018-19. Approximately six state-only members from last year have chosen MASS/AASA joint memberships for 2018-19.

· Consideration of future MASS Board Leadership Web Meetings for 2018-19

Cal stated that these meetings are beneficial to him and would like to see them continue next year. Several members agreed. Kirk suggested scheduling these meetings for the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:00am - 10:00am. The Board acknowledged this and so a schedule of MASS Board Leadership Web Meetings will be developed for 2018-19.

7. [Advocacy Issues - Delegate Assembly](#) – *Rick*

Kirk stated that DA Steering Committee has looked at several proposals and will reconvene on May 17th to complete their work. An advocacy package will be sent out next week to all delegates. Kirk referenced the Advocacy Issues page on the SAM website. Rick will get information to MASS members when a call to action is necessary.

8. Updates from the Regions – *Regional Presidents*

NW: Heather reported that the members have been discussing rising healthcare costs and looking for solutions.

NC: Loren reported that they have been discussing building projects. The next meeting will be a golf social at Marias.

HL: Bart reported that their meetings have ended for the year, but they have been focusing on teacher recruitment. Several superintendents attended the MSU Bozeman job fair. He felt that students seemed more receptive to teach in rural schools. He thanked Kirk and Angela McLean for their work in teacher recruitment in rural schools.

SC: Tobin reported that they had speakers attend their last meeting to discuss EdReady, Gifted and Talented, and Power Up.

4R: Scott reported that their focus has been on bringing in different insurance brokers to help schools compete with rising insurance costs.

9. SAM Celebration Week Activities – *Kirk*

- [DaRud Cup](#) – June 13
- SAM Board Meeting – June 14
- Evening of Excellence – June 14
- [Delegate Assembly](#) – June 14-15

Kirk referenced the schedule of events for the week. He asked that those planning to attend the Evening of Excellence to be sure to RSVP.

10. Upcoming Professional Learning Opportunities – *Kirk*

- [SAM Administrators Institute 2018](#) – July 30-August 1

Kirk referenced the SAM AI webpage and encouraged members to register.

- [SAM LPLP](#)

Kirk stated that many innovations are being planned for SAM LPLP 2018-19 and asked for board members to encourage SAM members to register.

- [MCEL 2018](#) – October 17-19

Kirk stated that a live-stream track will be offered. Five platinum sponsors will be featured. He encouraged members to register.

11. What's on Your Mind...

- No further discussion was offered.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kimberly Scofield  
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