

MASS Board Leadership Web Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

[UberConference](#)



Purpose: To increase effective communication with MASS leadership to support regional meeting discussion of contemporary education issues

In attendance: Cal Ketchum, Alex Ator, Heather Davis Schmidt, Gregory Dern, Rick Duncan, Loren Dunk, Bart Hawkins, Tobin Novasio, Nate Olson, Tom Stack, Mike Perry, Scott Chauvet, Kirk Miller, Pat Audet, Kim Scofield

Absent: Renee Rasmussen

Meeting called to order at 9:03 am.

Items for Discussion

1. [MASS Board Leadership Web Meeting DRAFT Minutes 5-15-18](#)

Scott Chauvet made a motion to accept the minutes from the 5-15-18 meeting; Alex Ator seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. MASS Info and Topics of Discussion – *Cal*

· [MASS/MCASE Fall Conference 2018](#)

Cal gave a quick overview of the MASS/MCASE Fall Conference and asked that board members invite superintendents from their regions. Cal also mentioned that a superintendent recognition opportunity has been established to incentivize participation in MASS.

· MASS Regional Meeting Schedules and Resources Available for the Meetings

Kirk reviewed the [MASS Regional Information](#) webpage and asked that directors contact the SAM office when they plan to use UberConference for their meetings and that directors verify the information on the webpage for their region information. The website will be updated as information is shared with the SAM office. Be sure to include Kim Scofield (samks@sammt.org) when sending agendas and minutes of your regional meetings so they can be posted on the webpage.

· MASS Membership – *Pat*

Pat referenced the [membership update as of August 31, 2018](#). He explained that the opt-out members are those that have chosen to not belong to AASA, but have a MT only membership. Currently MASS has 19 MT only memberships compared to 47 last year. Rick asked that directors use the membership list (Google sheet) that was sent a few weeks ago to ask members to pay their dues in their regions.

3. MASS Strategic Plan Update – *Kirk*

- [MASS Strategic Plan DRAFT Outline 2018-2022](#)

Kirk referenced the MASS Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Outline and the Goal Area worksheet used to create the outline. Kirk stated that once a strategic plan is written, it becomes a reporting mechanism. He asked if the plan reflects the intention of the directors. The directors confirmed. Kirk suggested that the Strategic Plan be looked at quarterly and measures developed as the board proceeds with the plan. Kirk suggested that September 16 Board meeting agenda include the adoption of the strategic plan.

4. [Advocacy Issues](#) – *Rick*

- [Delegate Assembly - recommendations](#) for SAM Business Meeting on 10-19-18
- Preparation for the 2019 Legislative Session – [SAMLN19 formation](#)

Rick reviewed the Delegate Assembly recommendations and the five advocacy priorities for the next legislative session from the June 2018 assembly. He also referenced the draft legislative network letter and requested that regional presidents encourage members to get involved in the legislative network. Rick stated the K-12 Vision Group met and the MT-PEC priorities will be developed from that meeting. Kirk stated that the overview of the group will be sent to K-12 Vision Group members soon. Rick stated that the SAM membership will vote on the advocacy priorities and positions and resolutions during the membership meeting in October. Kirk emphasized that presidents can mention participation in the legislative network at their September meetings, however, he will be sending a letter (email) to each president soon that will include a message that could be sent to MASS members from their regional president. This message includes the rules of conduct for political activity and advocacy and also a link to a form to register to participate in the SAMLN19.

[Federal Issues](#)

Rick referend to the federal advocacy priorities 2018-19. He mentioned that he plans to send a monthly letter to Gianforte that will include AASA federal advocacy issues. Rick stated that everyone should have received an email about Title IV funding asking for feedback about the continuation of Title IV. He asked that presidents contact him if they did not receive that email. Tom stated that he plans to talk to regional members at the Sept. 5 meeting about Title IV funds. The SAM office will add the Title IV Fact Sheet to the MASS Regional webpage so it can be referenced at the regional meetings.

5. Updates from the Regions – *Regional Presidents*

- Loren (NC MASS) - First meeting on Thursday. Dennis Parman will be giving an MREA update; Title IV, Membership and fall conference will be discussed
- Nate (SE MASS) - McKinstry will present at the first meeting.
- Alex (SC MASS) - First meeting the last Wednesday of the month.
- Bart (HL MASS) - First meeting Thursday, Sept. 6. McKinstry and Title IV, E-Rate session with Nicole Jones for Clerks and Superintendents
- Greg (C MASS) - Sept. - Jack O'Connor, sheriff about safety. Oct. - Education leadership at MSU meant to enhance relationships with MSU and teacher recruitment.

- Heather (NW MASS) - Whitefish is looking for a clerk; Fall conference, Smarter Balanced, Title IV, Principal diagnostic tool, Jack Eggenberger, unions, Supt Arntzen will be visiting NW MASS in October
- Scott (4R MASS) - First meeting Wednesday, Sept 5. LPLP, Title IV. October 3rd meeting will be in Manhattan to tour new school. February meeting will be in the SAM office.
- Tom (W MASS) - first meeting Sept 5. Colet from OPI, Strategic Plan update, Title IV, Arlene Bigby from Job Corp. Several other speakers are scheduled for meetings throughout the year.

6. Upcoming Professional Learning Opportunities – *Kirk*

· [SAM LPLP](#)

Kirk stated that 50 members are registered for SAM LPLP. 11 members are registered for the AASA Aspiring Superintendents CLN. Ten comprehensive schools under the ESSA Plan are also registered for SAM LPLP. Registration is still open. Gerry Nolan, Brad Moore, and Jason Butcher are new Providers for SAM LPLP. Rick stated that he is recommending that a new county superintendent register to have a Provider through SAM LPLP. Kirk confirmed that SAM LPLP has the capability to serve county superintendents.

· [MCEL 2018](#) – October 17-19

Kirk referenced the agenda pointing out that there will be a strand that will be streamed throughout the conference. Kirk also asked that directors promote the MASS/MCASE fall conference at their regionals meetings.

7. What's on Your Mind...

- Mike asked that presidents advocate for the conference incentive award at their regional meetings.
- Tobin stated that the sheriff's office can't supply a resource officer because they are short staffed. Carbon County is talking about providing an officer for one hour per month. Rick stated that Powell County is facing the same issue of having difficulties with hiring officers.

Next MASS Board Leadership Web Meeting scheduled for 3rd Tuesday each month – 10-16-18,
9:00 -10:00 am

Tom Stack made a motion to adjourn; Scott Chauvet seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:07am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Scofield, SAM Communications Specialist