



**MONTANA COUNCIL of ADMINISTRATORS for
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Chelsey Rogers (Region III), Jenny Malloy (Region IV), Tim Berg (Region V)**

**MCASE Standing Board Members – Jennifer Hickock (Delegate Assembly Steering
Committee), Pam Pettigrew (MCEC Representative)**

SAM Zoom (Office2 Acct): <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4800182947>

MCASE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING: Sunday, Sept 17, 2023 6-8pm

Present: Jenny Malloy, Sara Novak, Taylor Salmi, Chelsey Rogers, Valerie Hafele, Lisa Von Bergen, Pam Pettigrew, Maria Pace, Jennifer Hickock, Rob Watson, Marcus Meyer, Billi Taylor

Absent: Tim Berg

President Taylor Salmi called the September 17, 2023 Board meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

I. Welcome and Introductions –

II. Consent Agenda: Minutes Governing Board Meeting

(Action) [Board Meeting 6/7/2023 Draft Minutes](#)

Taylor reviewed the meeting minutes from 6/7/2023. Jennifer moved to approve the meeting minutes of 06/7/2023. Maria seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

III. Budget-(Informational)

A. [2023-2024 Budget Overview](#) - [Fall Conference Breakdown](#) Marcus Meyer

Marcus provided a review of the current budget. The projected deadline for memberships is September 30, 2023. Last year membership showed 70 members. This year the current standing is 59 members.

Marcus asked board members to review the current 2023-2024 membership and provide an updated list. A full membership report for SAM for a total of 950 members currently.

Marcus provided a MASS/MCASE Fall Conference income breakdown.

Pam moved to approve the 2023-2024 budget. Lisa seconded this motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

IV. MT School Recruitment Project Update – Billi Taylor

Billi reported that 16 current Districts and Cooperatives are enrolled. The goal is 20 for the year. Social media has been a focus this year. Currently have 500 followers on LinkedIn. Facebook has 305 followers.

Billi would like to improve the Recruitment Project. One option would be to attempt to streamline the application process for the Class B and C Districts through a universal document. The option of using Flow Forms as a company was discussed.

The final report with the required data for last year has been completed. Billi reviewed the cost per year based on district size. The board recommended Billi attending the regional superintendent meetings.

V. MCASE Membership

1. MCASE [membership](#) (Informational). 2022-23 SAM Membership
2. [FY 2022-23 1st Quarter Membership Report](#) (Marcus)
3. [Regional Membership Report](#) (Marcus)

VI. REGION REPORTS

Region I- Valerie Hafele - Have not formally met. Will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Currently updating the list.

Region II –Lisa Von Bergen - They have not met yet. There are two people that are interested in becoming the Region II reps. Lisa would like clarification on how to do an election.

Region III – Chelsey Rogers - They have met once this year. They meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Danni attended from OPI with GEPA support. They also provided information on the Infinite Campus updates. Several House Bills were discussed. Medicaid enrollment and reimbursement will have a significant drop due to COVID impacts.

Region IV – Jenny Malloy - First meeting will be held on October 28th. Annual law conference will be held November 17th in Livingston, MT.

Region V – Tim Berg - Absent. Region V will meet on October 17th.



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VII. Other Non-agenda items discussed

MCEC Conference Update - Pam provided an update on the upcoming conference on April 3-5 in Missoula. Early-bird registration in October. Presentation topics were offered by the group.

SAM Update - Rob

Rob updated: Licensure Fee Increase, Update on bills, Early Literacy program, Health Insurance Trust, changes to graduation requirements (See "[From Rob's Desk](#)" on Front page of SAM Website)

VIII. Next Meetings

- * MCASE Membership Mtg. – Tuesday September 19, 2023 @ 8AM
- * MCASE Board Mtg- June same week as Delegate Assembly

There being no further business Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM. The motion was seconded by Sara.