

SAM Board Leadership Web Meeting DRAFT Minutes

Tuesday, November 26, 2019
10:30am – 11:00am



In Attendance: Peter Hamilton, Dale Olinger, Laurie Barron, Cal Ketchum, Brian Norwood, Rick Duncan, Mike Perry, Marlin Lewis, Casey Klasna, Shelley Andres, Nicole Trahan, Barb Droessler, Justin Helvik, Shawn Hendrickson, Kirk Miller, Kim Scofield

Not in Attendance: Cathy Maloney, Michelle Halberg, Pam Meier, Jake Haynes, Craig Crawford

President Hamilton called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

Agenda

1. Introductions

President Hamilton welcomed all to the web meeting and introduced those in attendance by referring to the UberConference connections being displayed digitally.

2. Deletions/Additions to Agenda

None recommended.

3. Approval of Minutes

1. [SAM Board Meeting DRAFT Minutes 10-17-19](#) [Action]

Casey Klasna made a motion to approve the minutes of the SAM Board Meeting 10-17-19; Cal Ketchum seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. [SAM Business Meeting DRAFT Minutes 10-18-19](#) [Action]

Mike Perry made a motion to approve the minutes of the SAM Business Meeting 10-18-19; Dale Olinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. New Business

1. Consideration of SAM Business Partnership with Jamie Vollmer, Inc. – [Request Form](#), [Additional Info](#) [Action]

Kirk reviewed the business partner request from Jamie Vollmer, Inc. This partnership will provide information to SAM members and engage staff in “The Great Conversation”. SAM will receive 10% for every school in Montana that signs up to use the materials. The price for the service is \$99/school in a district and includes 42 videos, online mini-course (15 videos), four videos geared at community members, social media package, posters, and books.

Dale Olinger made a motion to approve the partnership; Marlin Lewis seconded the motion.

Question: Rick asked about the data privacy of subscribers. Kirk described that this request will not be collecting student personal privacy information and so does not need to comply with recently passed HB 745 Student Data Privacy act. Kirk stated that invoicing will be done through Jamie Vollmer, Inc. Information will be sent to the SAM membership in the next SAM Bulletin and SAM Update.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Consideration of SAM Business Partnership with Cognia – [Request Form](#), [Additional Info](#) [Action]

Kirk explained that Cognia (formerly AdvancED regional accreditation company merged with Measured Progress testing and training services company) provides continuous improvement services to school districts. He stated that Cognia is currently working with an ESSA Comprehensive Support district in Montana. OPI is monitoring the work between Cognia and the district. The SAM partnership is recommended as it appears that Cognia will be acknowledged by OPI and others for providing continuous education improvement for schools and districts in the future.

Mike Perry made a motion to accept the business partnership; Laurie Barron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. President's Report – Peter Hamilton

Peter provided an overview of the Montana Principals Conference on January 26-28, 2020. He asked board members to inform their principals and support their attendance at the conference.

6. Executive Director's Report – Kirk Miller

1. [Membership Report](#)

Kirk reported that SAM has reached an all-time high membership with 1073 members. MCASE memberships are still coming in. Kirk asked MAEMSP members to ask region directors to reach out to retired members for membership. Rick stated that MASS has an additional seat on the AASA Governing Board due to increased membership.

2. [MT-PEC Flexibility PD Series](#)

Kirk described that the series information can be found under Professional Learning on the SAM website.

3. [Montana District/School Leadership Staffing DRAFT Report 2019-20](#)

Kirk described the efficiency of school administrators in Montana as noted in the report. The report will go out to the SAM membership in the upcoming SAM Bulletin. A press release will soon be sent to Montana newspapers. Kirk also plans to discuss the report with legislators.

7. Future Meeting Dates

Next SAM Board Meeting – Sunday, January 26, 2020 at Fairmont Resort

- Investment/Finance Committee 10:00-11:00 am
- Board Meeting 11:00 am – 1:00 pm (lunch will be served)

[2019-20 SAM Conference - Meeting Schedule](#) and [2019-20 SAM and Affiliate Board Meeting Schedule](#)

8. Adjournment

Brian Norwood made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Rick Duncan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:59 AM.

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