

SAM Business Meeting DRAFT Minutes

Friday, October 19, 2018

MCEL 2018, Missoula Hilton Garden Inn, Grant Creek Salon B

8:30 – 10:30 am

Laurie Barron, SAM President, presiding officer

In Attendance: 58 SAM members ([LIST](#)) and Kirk Miller, Pat Audet, Kim Scofield.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM.

1. Introductions

SAM Board members were introduced.

2. Deletions/Additions to Agenda

None noted.

3. Approval of Minutes

1. [SAM Business Meeting October 19, 2017](#) [Action]

Dale Olinger made a motion to accept the minutes; Tammy Lacey seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. President's Report – Laurie Barron

Laurie urged SAM members to encourage their leadership teams to attend SAM Administrators Institute July 29-31, 2019. She suggested that calendars be rearranged to include SAM AI as work days for district administrators. Laurie mentioned that MCEL will be held in Billings next year. Laurie also encouraged members to attend their affiliate conferences.

5. Old Business

1. [SAM Strategic Plan 2018-2022](#)

Laurie stated that the SAM Board of Directors voted to adopt the SAM Strategic Plan 2018-2022. She referenced the document, highlighting the three goals of SAM.

6. New Business

1. [SAM Delegate Assembly 2018](#) Recommendations – *Rick Duncan (DA Steering Committee Chair)*

Rick described the delegate assembly process.

- [SAM Business Meeting DA 2018 Recommendations 10-19-18](#) [Action]

Rick stated that 38 positions and 44 resolutions passed at delegate assembly in June 2018. Six positions and twelve resolutions are designated as action items. Rick also described the SAM

legislative network process. Rick made a recommendation for Laurie to call for a motion on the positions and then the resolutions.

Cal Ketchum made a motion to approve the SAM Positions as presented; Joel Graves seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Gregory Dern made a motion to approve the SAM Resolutions as presented; Shelley Andres seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Laurie encouraged members to attend the Day of Advocacy on March 18, 2019 in Helena. Steve Bradshaw asked if a legislative report card has been/will be created to indicate the voting record of legislators on education issues. Kirk stated that creating a report card for each legislator voting record on education issues would violate SAM's 501(c)(3) non-profit status. SAM partners with MT-PEC to create a report card for legislative actions on education issues in the past, possible because of the 501(c)(6) status of other organizations part of MT-PEC. An MT-PEC developed report card for the 2019 legislative session will likely be produced. Laurie stated that NE MASS hosts a breakfast for the area legislators in December. She encouraged other affiliate regions to do the same.

7. **Executive Director's Report – Kirk Miller**

1. [SAM Executive Director Update](#) and [Executive Director Strategic Plan Report 1st Qtr 2018-19](#)

Kirk referenced three goals of the organization as stated in SAM Strategic Plan 2018-2022. Kirk referenced the RISE4MT, REL NW Recruitment and Retention Survey, and the MUS Rural Educator Recruitment and Retention Task Force letting members know that SAM has had, and continues to have, a seat at the table on the issue of recruitment and retention of quality educators. Changes have taken place as a direct result of the work of SAM and its members. These changes include providing licensure to qualified educators coming from out of state, dual credit education as a career pathway courses offered to high school students, HB119 providing loan repayment to educators in critical shortage areas (includes subject areas, rurality, and poverty), SB115 creating an incentive for national board certified teachers to teach in critical shortage areas, and the REL NW study of Montana administrators' beliefs around recruitment and retention.

Kirk stated that the SAM affiliate leadership will email members about registering to participate in the SAM Legislative Network 2019. Members need to register even if they have been part of SAM LN in the past.

Kirk stated that SAM facilitates 11 conferences each year and encouraged members to participate in these conferences.

Kirk described the SAM Leaders Professional Learning Program (LPLP), recognizing the LPLP providers in the room. Kirk and a team will be presenting the SAM LPLP at the AASA National Conference on Education (NCE) in February. He encouraged members to register to be part of the program.

8. **Financial Report – Kirk Miller for SAM Investment/Finance Committee**

1. [SAM Financial Report FY 17-18 and FY 18-19 1st Quarter](#)

Kirk referenced the SAM Financial Report FY 17-18 and FY 18-19 1st Quarter. He stated that SAM Business Partner revenue has changed from approximately \$130,000 (the majority from the MUST partnership) five years ago to approximately \$216,000 from a diverse set of business partners, all of whom have been vetted by the SAM Board of Directors through an application and approval process indicating the how the services/product the Partner provides benefits the students in our schools and benefits SAM members in their work for students. This is in keeping with the SAM 501(c)(3) non-profit status.

9. **Membership Report** – *Pat Audet*

Pat referenced the SAM Membership Report 2018-19 1st Quarter, indicating that the membership is higher at the end of the first quarter this year compared to the same time last year.

10. **Affiliate Reports** – *Affiliate Presidents*

MASS: Cal Ketchum introduced the MASS Board members in attendance. He praised the work of the SAM organization. Cal reported that a superintendent recognition process has been created by MASS to recognize the contributions of the members to MASS and education in our schools. MASS is also creating list of experts in approximately twenty areas that will be shared MASS members in order to help the organization communicate expertise in areas of focus for the work of the superintendent. The resource list will be posted on the SAM website.

MASSP: Jake Haynes introduced the MASSP Board members in attendance. He reported that the theme of MT Principals Conference is “Educational Superheros” and will begin on Sunday, January 27, 2019.

MAEMSP: Shelley Andres introduced the MAEMSP Board members in attendance. She described the use of the SAM and Affiliate Community Forums as a networking tool, the Montana Principals Conference will be held in Helena January 27-29, 2019 focusing on social-emotional learning and trauma, a resolution presented for a joint NASSP/NAESP Conference in 2020 was not passed by the MAEMSP Board, and that MAEMSP membership has increased from last year. Jon Konen praised Shelley for her work with connecting MAEMSP members through social media.

MCASE: MCASE Board members in attendance were recognized.

META: No report

MACSS: No report

Laurie praised the difference SAM is making on education both locally and nationally.

11. **Recognition of SAM Board Members**

Paul Furthmyre, Dan Kimzey, and Rich Lawrence were recognized for their service on the SAM Board of Directors, though not in attendance. Rick Chrisman was in attendance and recognized for his service on the SAM Board of Directors. Dale Lambert was recognized during the meeting for his past leadership as SAM President.

Jon Konen recognized Laurie Barron for her leadership as SAM President and now the G.V. Erickson Award recipient for 2018.

12. Future Meeting Dates

[2018-19 SAM Conference - Meeting Schedule](#)

[2018-19 SAM and Affiliate Board Meeting Schedule](#)

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

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