

MASSP Business Meeting Minutes

Friday, April 8, 2016

8:00 - 9:00 AM

Helena – Great Northern Hotel

President Peter Fusaro Presiding

Approval of 4-17-15 Minutes:

Moved by Michele Paine; second by Peter Hamilton to approve board meeting minutes of 4-17-15.

President's Report – Peter Fusaro reported on the MASSP membership numbers for 2015-16. Invoices are sent out to the District clerks for 16-17. He also covered a brief overview of NASSP Ignite conferences and that it will be a combined conference with NAESP this next July 9-11. Peter also gave a quick overview of the upcoming SAM Administrators Institute 2016, July 25-28, and mentioned the presenters that will be there. Kirk added to look at the SAM AI description on the website.

President Elect Report – Dan Kimzey reported on the MASSP Awards and how important and distinguished they are to the membership and encouraged people to recognize others that may be deserving. He also mentioned the National Conference Incentive Award. Dan also described the next 2017 MASSP Spring Conference and how it will be held during the legislative session. The Fundamental Five instructional strategies will also be a component or theme of the conference. Joel discussed the rotation of conferences between Bozeman and Helena – 2018 conference will be in Bozeman and they will check on possibility of a combined conference with the MAEMSP.

Vice President Report – Joel Graves reported on the retirements and how it is important to acknowledge these people. Please notify him if you know of anyone retiring next year.

Delegate Assembly Report – Paul Furthmyre reported on the dates and process of the DA (June 16-17, 2016). He gave a brief description of the process and numbers of delegates per affiliate. He also described the importance of the process and how effective it is – provided examples.

State Coordinator Report – Paul Furthmyre reported on the implementation of ESSA emphasizing the idea of federal control switching back to the local control of the states for educational requirements. He explained the process of visiting with the federal reps in Washington DC; it is a different now where NASSP is requesting anyone to join in on visiting and advocating. Paul will show the NASSP Action Reports and how to receive those. He also discussed how to become more of an advocate at the state and federal level.

Executive Director’s Report – Kirk Miller opened on asking the members if there are any questions of the group. The members do like the Friday update. He also mentioned that the #SAMedchat will be starting soon on Thursday nights from 7 to 8.

Peter Fusaro presented the 2015-16 budget and also the 2016-17 proposed budget. He covered revenue vs. expenditures plus expectancies for 2016-17.

Moved by Rhiannon Beery and seconded by Hannah Nieskens to approve the MASSP 2016-17 budget. Vote: Passed Unanimously

Update on regional happenings – Regional Directors

- Region 1 Joel Graves – Eureka – Joel reported that Jake Haynes will be the next Region I director. He talked about the past meetings of the year and will meet soon at Hamilton High School. Jessica Bryant, Steve York are upcoming presenters, plus a Job Corps presentation.
- Region 2 Peter Hamilton – Cut Bank – Peter reported on meeting 3 times a year – there are about 10 on average in attendance. They do not bring in a lot of speakers but Greg Upham did a presentation on ACT.

Math teachers will be invited to the next meeting to talk about common assessments for Algebra I.

□ Region 3 Lynne Scalia – Livingston – Hannah Nieskens reported on 6 meetings a year at Three Forks High School. They did work on crisis plans with the area deaths of students that occurred. Interlocal agreements with Job Corps were discussed. They also has had presentations on Big Sky pathways.

□ Region 4 Rhiannon Beery – Bainville – Region 4 meets 6 times a year. MCCS liaison is a great contact for them.

□ Region 5 Bo Lingle – Baker – Bo reported on their meetings and attendance and where they have met. They discuss athletics, SPED law, Kim Stanton gives reports on curriculum. There is lots of networking.

□ Region 6 K. J. Poepping – Shepherd – Jim Goltz reported on their meetings where they will meet in May for last meeting. YGBR principal gave a good report on what it takes for kids to attend YGBR – qualifications.

Peter F summarized by adding resource officers and counselors to your region meetings – SAM, MHSA, OPI speakers.

NASSP Ignite Conference 2016 Report – Jim Goltz, Conference Scholarship winner gave a report on the Ignite 16 in Orlando. He thanked SAM and MASSP. He described the tremendous experience and followed a pathway of Twitter for education. He also described some of the presenters and the networking he was involved in with other principals across the nation.

MASSP Candidate Forum – Paul Furthmyre explained the process of candidacy and involvement on the board. He introduced Peter Hamilton – Cut Bank – candidate for MASSP Vice President. Peter gave a short speech on explained how he will support the MASSP and looks forward to serving the affiliate.

New Business

□ Consideration of Updates to the MASSP Constitution and Bylaws
Peter Fusaro described the MASSP Offices, Duties and Responsibilities Handbook and how the board updated this document.

Add the **SAM** Executive Director information to the MASSP Constitution

Bryce Wilson moved to approve the revisions to the MASSP Constitution; seconded by Peter Hamilton. Vote: Passed Unanimously.

Peter Fusaro briefly described the agenda for the rest of today.

Bruce Whitehead asked the membership about how elementary students are coming into HS educationally prepared. Members commented on this – Kalispell has seen a drop in reading scores. Math is not dropping according to some – stable or rising scores. The social element is a tough. Jim brought up a great point that this can be good breakout discussions in a Combined State Conference with MAEMSP. Scott Dubbs reported on a gap or drop in fine arts and creativity. Paul brought up the Learn Act grant at the federal level – advocate for OPI go after that competitive grant.

Peter Hamilton made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Bryce Wilson. Peter Fusaro adjourned the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Audet
SAM Associate Director