

Michigan Association of State and Federal Program Specialists

Regular Meeting
June 5, 2008
Sheraton Hotel
Lansing, Michigan

MINUTES

Attendance: Michele Burley, Jan Callis, Paula Daniels, Sam Ewing, Margarita Frommert, Judy Handley, Rick Heitmeyer, Sandra Jeannette, Debbie Kitson, Julie Lemond, Jeanette, Magsig, Marie Miller, Willye Pigott, Mike Radke, Karen Ruple, Michele Sandro, Melanie Schroeder, Sara Shriver, David Solis, Sharon Spencer, Glenda Virden, Sue Warren, Karon Yeager

Guests: Tricia Root

Absence Excused: Milt Collins, Robyn Mosher, Terry Pawl, Scott Pitts, Glen Taylor, Grace Velchansky

Call to Order

9:15 A.M.

President's Report

- The meeting opened with a welcome by Debbie Kitson.
- Denise Jones will be joining us as an alternate (from Highland Park.)
- Annual MASFPS Representative Checklist – turn in to Sara.
- Communications:
 - Thank you – Melissa Partlow – scholarship recipient
 - Bob Peper – Greetings “Miss You!”
 - Melanie Schroeder – “Thank you!”
- “Save the Date” post cards were sent to membership.

President Elect's Report – Judy Handley

Judy is working on the Summer Learning Academy. “Our Iceberg Is Melting” (team approach to problem solving) will be our summer professional development focus for our learning activities.

Information Items:

AYP Appeals – The state has had problems with the AYP appeal website. Attachments are not always present. Be sure to check and make sure that your information is there.

Awards Committee – Our NAFEPA awards process has had a glitch. To simplify the process, Judy is proposing that the NAFEPA reps be responsible for overseeing the NAFEPA Award process. The Procedures Committee will iron out the specifics and make recommendations to the full committee.

Executive Secretary's Report – Sara Shriver

- Sara asked that a copy of the Boot Camp flier be submitted to her by June 15th.
- Discussion: U.P. Boot Camp locations- it was recommended that Sandra Jeannotte find out areas interest from U.P districts.
- Fall Director's – dates and locations are still under review.
- REG ONLINE – Fall Director's and Boot Camp registration now available through REGONLINE.

Secretary's Report – Paula Daniels

ACTION ITEM: It was moved by Sam Ewing and seconded by Willye Pigott to approve the April minutes. Motion carried

Treasurer's Report – Sam Ewing

- Sam presented the treasurer's budget report including the proposed budget for next year. He indicated that we will go into our equity. We will probably be about \$3000 in the red according to the budget. Conference committee's budget is in report. Sam admonished us to stay within the institute or project budgets.
- He recommended that we make up at any deficits through increased institute and professional development activity attendance—increased revenue.

ACTION ITEM: It was moved by Glenda Virden and seconded Margarita Frommert to accept the treasurer's report.
Motion carried.

NAFEPA Report – Glenda Virden

Glenda – Info Update

- Margaret Spelling is holding hearings regarding Title I regulation changes. NAFEPA members in states where hearings have been held have attended these sessions and feel that the regulations represent a last ditch effort to get the Bush agenda pushed. NAFEPA is recommending that the regulations remain as they are until the reauthorization of the law.
- NAFEPA is encouraging the membership to contact their legislators regarding regulations.

Marie –

- We are in the final week for ballots to be sent back to NAFEPA. A reminder for members to vote is being sent.
- NAFEPA is looking to terminate their relationship with A+ events.

- NAFEPA is trying to change the March 1st conference date to April. They are also trying to get at 3 year commitment with the Omni Shoreham for future conferences.

Bruce Hunter is looking to have NAFEPA and AASA to work more closely together again. He would like to have states that are having annual conferences host “town hall” meetings. He is particularly interested in coming to Michigan because of his long standing relationship with us. He would like to have time at the conference to hold a forum and have some real discussion regarding the reauthorization.

Glenda was asked to be the contact person regarding the conference participation with Bruce.

MDE Reports

Mike Radke–

- Good Morning OSI /GMOSI – The consolidated application schedule with a Q and A is included in the current issue of GMOSI. Remember—the application must be “newly developed”- not cut and pasted from a prior year. It must be in a substantially approvable form.
- Consolidated Applications will be up on MEGS by the end of this week.
- School selection should be up next week.
- Allocations are not yet available. Plan now and be ready to input the information when the reports and allocations become available.
- The department continues to work on filling vacant field service consultant positions. Announcements of new consultant will be coming soon.
- ISD – MDE partnership – The department is working to strengthen their partnership with the intermediate school districts. The department is looking to cooperate and work together on an even greater way.
- Mike asked that MASFPS include the ISD folks on the e-mailing list because of their interest in some of our offerings.
- Mike noted that it would be good to invite business officials to the post-institute offering. (Manasevit) This session would be beneficial to ISD and business officials.
- New Guidance – Clarity is being sought in the new guidance. They are also seeking to address areas that have not been working.
- Financial auditors will be coming with the program auditors in future visits.
- MDE study has found that SES service makes little positive difference. Of the hundred new SES applications submitted, 10 were approved.
- SES Discussion: Some states have done studies and found that SES service does not work. Mike recommended that we ask NAFEPA get information from states that have done studies on SES effectiveness and share it.

Karen Ruple reporting for Linda Hecker: Coming trainings--

- Aug 11-13 / Teaching and Learning Institute for high priority schools
- Oct 20 and 21 / Process mentor teams

Committee/Project Time

UP Institute - Sandra Jeannette

The needs and focus for the U.P. was explored. Ideas included:

- Assistance with the Consolidated Application – sessions to help with all steps in that process.
- Special education/general education teachers working with SWD
- “Challenges in Meeting the Needs of All At Risk Learners”
- We are partnering with the MDE for these offerings.
- Possible move from Northern Mich. U. to the Holiday Inn.

Professional Learning – Jan Callis

An event will be planned for each day during the Summer Institute.

Fall Directors’ Institute – Melanie Schroeder

- Theme “Foundations for Success – Compliance to Implementation”
- We will hold a POST-INSTITUTE instead of a PRE-INSTITUTE this year.
- Day 1: Compliance
Bruce Hunter
Looking for Lunch speaker
Concurrent sessions
- Day 2: Practitioner Day
Thursday – Deb Walstrom –
Looking for break-out sessions
- Day 3: – Post Conference (Leigh Manasevit)
Need – Lunch speaker for day 1
Awards on day 2
- Will need to send “Call for presenter forms”

OLD BUSINESS

MASFPS SCHOLARSHIP- Increasing scholarship funding amount

ACTION ITEM: It was moved by Sam Ewing and seconded by Sara Shriver to increase the MASFPS state scholarship amounts to: **(1) \$1,000, (1) \$500, (1) \$250**

Discussion: We would be using our funds from interest we have earned. It fits within our purpose and mission.

NAFEPA scholarships are moving from \$1500 to \$2500.

Motion carried

WEB PAGE

Sara – We need time in July to discuss the webpage—accessing the web page to have things put on it-- how to access, who can access, etc.

NEW BUSINESS

NAFEPA Representative Election:

Debbie Kitson - Upon the recommendation of the executive committee, Glenda Virden is nominated for election to a two-year term as NAFEPA Representative from the Michigan Association of State and Federal Program Specialists. This vote is taken by members of the MASFPS Committee.

ACTION ITEM: It was moved by Margarita Frommert and seconded by David Solis to accept Glenda Virden as NAFEPA rep for a two-year term. (2008-2010) Motion carried.

Other Business

Debbie had board members provide updates on positions they will hold during the coming school year. Many changes were shared.

Professional development closing activity for Building Engaged Schools will be moved to Wednesday at Summer Learning Institute.

Meeting Adjournment

12:10. PM

2008 Annual Meeting follows immediately.

Complete notes available upon request