

## Michigan Association of State and Federal Program Specialists

Regular Meeting

September 11, 2008

9:00 A.M.

Hampton Inn

Lansing, Michigan

### MINUTES (with corrections)

**Attendance:** Michele Burley, Jan Callis, Paula Daniels, Sam Ewing, Judy Handley, Rick Heitmeyer, Sandra Jeannette, Denyse Jones, Julie Lemond, Margaret Madigan, Willye Pigott, Karen Ruple, Michele Sandro, Melanie Schroeder, Sara Shriver, David Solis, Sharon Spencer, Roberta Stanley, Glen Taylor, Grace Velchansky, Glenda Virden, Sue Warren, KaronYeager

**Guest:** Jennifer Allen

**Excused Absences:** Milt Collins, Terry Pawl, Scott Pitts, Debbie Kitson, Robyn Mosher,

**Correction:** Marie Miller and Jeannette Magsig also had excused absences from the September meeting.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Judy Handley at 9:00 A.M. Judy welcomed everyone attending the meeting. A special welcome was extended to Denyse Jones (alternate for District 14).

**President's Report:** There was not an official President's report at this meeting.

#### **President's Elect's Report**—Paula Daniels

Paula shared handouts from the OEAA Advisory Committee (August 7, 2008) and NCLB Modified Academic Achievement Standards Non-Regulatory Guidance (July 20, 2007). There are modifications in the guidance.

#### **Executive Secretary's Report**—Sara Shriver

- Sara stated that she has completed and submitted the application for SBCEUs to be offered at MAS/FPS monthly meetings
- Members must attend three-fourths (3/4) of the meetings to receive 3 SBCEUs.
- Dianne Ewing (Sam's wife) has been hospitalized. She's currently at home recuperating very well; "get well" wishes to Dianne would be very appreciative.

- Reminder: Please remember to form a network and set up a list-serve for correspondences to members in your Region.

**Secretary's Report--** Paula Daniels

**ACTION ITEM:** It was moved by Michele Burley and seconded by Sam Ewing to approve the minutes (from June 5, 2008) with the necessary corrections. (**Corrections:** Delete "s" from Communications in the title *Blue Prints for Communication*; delete one "g" in Willye's last name (Pigott) and Michele Curley's email address is: [burleym@greenville.k12.mi.us](mailto:burleym@greenville.k12.mi.us) Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report—**Sam Ewing

Sam presented the treasurer's report. He stated that Boot Camp is going very well.

**ACTION ITEM:** Moved by Sara Shriver and seconded by David Solis to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

**MDE Reports:**

*Roberta Stanley—*

- MDE has been working with high priority schools.
- MDE has been advised by attorneys (Manesevit, et al) in Washington, DC to have Detroit Public Schools declared a high risk district.
- MDE has been meeting regularly with the district's staff in Detroit. MDE is supportive of Detroit Public Schools.
- Lots of organizations are rethinking NCLB. Both presidential candidates like NCLB, but stat that changes need to be made.
- Sarah Palin is a big supporter of charter schools and vouchers.
- Barack Obama has been very well briefed by people in the state of Illinois regarding NCLB.
- There has been much discussion at MDE regarding all day kindergarten.
- Possible federal stimulus packages this fall

*Karen Ruple—*

- Mentor training for ISDs—September 16, 2008
- John Eller will be presenting at Holiday Inn-West—October 20-21, 2008

*Margaret Madigan—*

- MDE is fully staffed.
- MDE has an obligation to increase state level compliance.
- MDE must document that an effort was made to get SWPs in place.
- This year, MDE will audit 150 School-wide buildings randomly selected. Letters will be mailed approximately October 1 with a 30 day turnaround
- Every district need to add an index to its SIP.
- Because of the USDOE audit on SWP—MDE shared with USDOE that it would follow-up with districts regarding SWP.
- Michigan will have one (1) school represented at the Title I national conference.
- Currently districts receive full state aid for .5 day kindergarten. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the funding of all day kindergarten.

**Committee Sessions:** There will be three (3) standing committees this year.

1. Professional Development (Contact: Marie Miller)
2. Marketing (Contact: Rick Heitmeyer)
3. Legislative (Contact: Glen Taylor)

### **Committee Reports**

*Professional Development*—Karen Ruple

- Currently 140 registrants for the 39<sup>th</sup> Fall Directors’ Institute. 30 exhibitors
- Post Institute is a full day sponsored by MDE. MDE will pay the registration fee for participants from high priority schools.
- Attendance at U.P. conference has decreased over the years. Therefore consideration is being given to a 2 day Boot Camp (possibly Marquette) for aspiring principals, current principals and directors.
- Michele Burley mentioned the interest of a Boot Camp in the U. P.

**Correction:** Delete “y” from Camp

*Legislative*—Glen Taylor

- Identify experts from MAS/FPS as an advisory committee
- Glenda Virden is working on a survey to help determine each member’s area of expertise.

- Position paper related to “Building Capacity”
- Improve the communication among our members and MDE
- Additional links to MAS/FPS website

*Marketing*—Rick Heitmeyer

- 15-20 minutes writing ideas at monthly meetings
- Articles for E-News due 1 week after MAS/FPS meeting
- Highlight of a book in each issue of E-News
- At monthly meeting, each district share a 5 step process to complete a task (e.g. Consolidated Application)
- Additional pictures in E-News of students/teachers involved in different activities; keep it simple and brief
- Each month, highlight information regarding MAS/FPS 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary
- Include in E-News, list 5 things to remember each month
- Include a coupon in E-News to receive a book or other item
- Incentive for everyone who refers someone to MAS/FPS
- First issue of E-News (2008-09), include information regarding keynote speaker for the fall conference

**NAFEPA Report**—Glenda Virden

- Glenda and Marie will be attending a retreat in Minnesota (October 25-28, 2008).
- Directors’ Boot Camp went very well; 54 attendees

**Team Building Activity**—postponed until the meeting in December

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Denyse Jones is replacing Margarita Frommert (District 14).
- **ACTION ITEM:** Moved by Sam Ewing and seconded by Glenda Virden; Motion carried.
- Judy will talk with Jennifer regarding representing District 10 (?)
- A list of future locations for fall Directors’ Institute was distributed.

- MAS/FPS has a three (3) year contract at Boyne Mountain as the location for the fall Directors' Institute (9/30-10/02/2009, 9/29-10/01/2010 and 9/28-30/2011)
- Future Summer Learning Academy location—possibly Park Place Hotel (Traverse City)

Awards Committee (added to the agenda—new business)—Glenda Virden and David Solis, chair/co-chair

Four (4) Awards—guidelines are included in the MAS/FPS notebook

1. Linda Brown Lifetime Achievement Award
2. Legislative Award
3. Educator's Award
4. Exhibitor's Award

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Constitution Revisions—

- Update MAS/FPS constitution (Board and Executive Board)
- Proposing to make these changes to the constitution

## **ADJOURNMENT**

12:15 p.m.

**1:00 p.m.—MDE and MAS/FPS meeting to discuss Post Institute and School-wide Plan Reviews (Sam Ewing, Marie Miller, Sara Shriver, Deb Kitson, Margaret Madigan, Michele Sandro and Sybil Lenzi)**

