

MASC October Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Saturday, October 15, 2016

Synopsis: Educational Forums about Project XQ, Leadership through CBF, and Equitable Education were presented. Ms. Olivia Keithley, Mr. Jeff Rogge, and Ms. Robyn Harper presented them respectively. The officers presented reports and staff while a report by the State SMOB was submitted remotely. Staff members should ensure that their schools become members of MASC. Additionally, presenters are needed for Fall Leadership Conference High School Workshops. Fall Leadership Conference will be on November 19th at Hereford High School in Baltimore County. The next Executive Board Meeting will be held on December 10th at Northwood High School in Montgomery County.

- I. Call to Order** An Executive Board Meeting of the MASC was held at Linganore High School on October 15, 2016, hosted by the Frederick County Association of Student Councils (FCASC). The meeting convened at 9:43 AM, Colleen Larsen presiding, and Ananya Tadikonda, secretary.
- II. Approval of Agenda** Motion made to approve the Agenda. Motion passed. Agenda Approved at 9:44 am.
- III. Approval of Minutes** Motion made to approve the Minutes. Motion passed. Agenda Approved at 9:45 am.
- IV. Recess** *Meeting broke into recess at 9:45 AM to conduct educational forums. Ms. Olivia Keithly, a former MASC Alumna, presented the first forum. Ms. Keithly discussed Project XQ, a project to reform high schools in the United States. The program was started by Steve Jobbs' wife and is essentially a competition to hear from students their innovative ideas for a school, and to implement these ideas for a better overall school system. Mr. Jeff Rogge of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation presented the second forum. Jeff discussed how to teach people to be environmentally aware, and how to apply our leadership skills to make the environment a better and safer place. Finally, he discussed obvious leadership, the idea that some leaders may seem dominant, however, the role of all leaders in contributing to the community is important. Jeff informed MASC that there is a CBF Retreat during the first week of November. The last forum was about Equitable Education and was presented by Ms. Robyn Harper, also a former MASC Alumna. Ms. Harper discussed the idea of equity and equality and how rather than everyone being given the same amount, they must be given enough to reach the same level. She discussed the role of the Every Student Succeeds Act in further implementing this principle, and described the three main types of equity that are expectation equity, access equity, and resource equity. We continued the recess after the final forum for lunch.*
- V. Call Back to Order** *The meeting reconvened at 1:12 PM.*
- VI. Officer and State SMOB Report**
 - 2nd Vice President – Avery Klein
 - Going to Howard County with Lucas (Divisional Liaison) to talk about MASC
 - Starting calls to 2nd Vice President/middle school representatives soon
 - Treasurer – Will Anderson
 - Contacting previous members to make sure they renew membership
 - Working on a statewide fundraiser at Chick-fi-la
 - Only 17 member schools as of today's meeting – more are pending
 - Legislative Session Committee Application on website – committee will explore ways to improve attendance/experience of Legislative Session
 - Vice President – Grace Wu
 - Contacting Regional President, starting monthly calls
 - Howard County and Baltimore City GA's, general MASC Presentation for GA's
 - President – Colleen Larsen
 - FLC – need to work in getting high school presenters
 - Continued close work with the officer team
 - Document Revision Committee started (Grace), election rules and guidelines

- David Edimo – State SMOB (not present)
 - Holding marathon work sessions on Maryland standardized testing commission’s report, developing school accountability program for Every Student Succeeds Act
 - Submitted comments on standardized testing report to MD GA: send message that standardized testing must be streamlined, minimally disruptive, related to learning
 - Developing accountability plan, heard from many groups on indicators of success
 - Attended MD Teacher of the Year Gala, Sia Kyriakakos of Baltimore City, will compete for National Teacher of the Year
 - Met with SMOB Advisory Council prior to first Board meeting and will again this week
 - Board has acted on varied topics: language standards, charter schools, statewide PARCC scores, and is working on addressing mental health
 - MSDE world languages team has created a quick survey on language offerings in your schools: access at www.marylandsmob.org/survey or sign up for mailing list at www.marylandsmob.org \
 - Can be reached at david@marylandsmob.org or tweeted at @MarylandSMOB

VII. Staff Reports The executive staff gave reports to update the Executive Board on what they have done since the August Executive Board Meeting. Only staff members present at the meeting are listed.

- Corresponding Secretary – Zion Kidd (Not present)
- Central Divisional Liaison – Lucas Garlin Torbell
- Eastern Divisional Liaison – Sabrina Rusch (Not present)
- Southern Divisional Liaison - Sydney Neal (Not present)
- Western Divisional Liaison – Ibrahim Diallo
- Environmental Affairs – Harley Rader and Michelle Gu
- Evaluations Coordinators – Melody Zhang
- Forums Coordinators – Margaret Foulkes and Thomas Ridenour
- MASC - Brie Holger, Shayla Cook
- Parliamentarians – Sresth Viswanathan, Hunter Marsh (neither present)
- Publications Department – Isabelle Young
- Recording Secretary – Alex, Ananya Tadikonda, Pranav Tadikonda
- State Charity Coordinators – Hannah Heron
- SLACers – Molly Fitzpatrick, Kyle Smith, Nathaniel Tinbite, Caleb Camara
- STC – Maggie Chen and Pearson Benson
- Webmaster – Prad Meyyur
- Chief of Staff – Matt Talley

VIII. Unfinished Business

- No unfinished business
- Documents Revision Committee – getting together the committee, will be presented at December meeting

IX. New Business

- FLC – need high school trainers, if there is someone not teaching a middle school workshop, let Mrs. Crawford know ASAP
- Need to get member school participation – as Will (treasurer) said in his report, make sure your school is registered, important when Convention time comes around
- Memberships renewed on rolling basis; NASC dues- needed for LEAD
- MASC membership application on the website
- Membership dues – help MASC’s budget, also provides voting privileges
- Professional network of colleagues in MASC – step ahead of the others

X. Comments

- Mr. Lance Ledebur
 - Thank you for attending the meeting
 - A few MASC members attending CBF weekend retreat on Smith Island – November 5-7
 - Awards – Advisor of the Year Middle/High, Principal of the Year, Felix Simon Awards, meet the deadlines, want more nominees from more regions for advisor and principal of the year, another reason to become a member
 - Membership is 17 schools – should be at 50, need to go to regional advisors/schools and encourage to go on website get the application/dues submitted; Goal is to try and reach 200 member schools
 - FLC – membership not required, but supports MASC and our mission
 - Senior High Workshops – Only 11 at this point, can use a couple more
 - SMOB Applications – School Nominations due October 25th, none have come in yet
 - LEAD Conference – Reserved 20 hotel rooms in Crystal City hotel, 64 kids can attend plus advisors, 62 people attended last year, costs about \$330
 - NASC Nationals –Manchester, New Hampshire at the largest Private High School in the country, Pinkerton Academy, trying to keep the cost under \$1000
 - Communication issues – need to hear back on emails; all staff should check email daily
 - Staff members – need to be committed to events for the year
 - If registered for an event, PLEASE attend – cover food costs, etc., if you can't come – write an explanation about why you can't attend (on the registration form)
 - Committees that will be at work looking at platform, election rules – those reviews need to be in his hands at least 2 weeks before the December Executive Board Meeting, legislation need to be pre-filed and on the website
- Mrs. Crawford
 - Horatio Alger info – \$25,000 scholarship program for students with financial need, family income of \$55,000 or less, give info to counselor to share at schools
 - Canned food – Maryland Food Bank, bring donations to all MASC events this year
 - Communication – Monthly Bulletin, only 60% open rate, last year was 67%, keeping bulletin short with links for more info, share in school
 - Staff reports – very informative, remember slides, colors, size of prints, print out own copy of slides, work on presentation skills
 - Read the minutes!! Published about two weeks after a meeting – not printed
 - Maryland Legislative Exploratory Committee that Will (treasurer) discussed – posted on web (Legislative Session page)

XI. Announcements

- None

XII. Adjournment *Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm*

Minutes submitted by Ananya Tadikonda, secretary