

# MASC Executive Board Minutes

Saturday, February 18, 2017: North Point High School Hosting

Synopsis: Two informative forums were presented about the Four Diamonds organization and The Maryland Center for School Safety presented by Leigh Anna Hilbert and Edward Clarke respectively. The officer and staff reports were presented and the report of State SMOB was submitted remotely. MASC still encourages more schools to become member schools. The Legislative Session was a success. It was held at Clarksburg High School in Montgomery County and the Montgomery County Region hosted it.

- I. **Call to order:** An executive board meeting of the MASC was held at North Point High School on February 18, 2017, hosted by Charles County Association of Student Councils (CCASC). The meeting began at 9:40 AM, Colleen Larsen presiding and Alex Erhunmwunse as Secretary.
- II. **Approval of Agenda** Motion made to approve the agenda. Motion passed at 9:41AM
- III. **Approval of minutes** Motion made to approve the minutes. Motion passed. Minutes approved at 9:42 AM
- IV. **Recess** Meeting moved into recess at 9:46 AM to conduct the scheduled forums. Leigh Anna Hilbert, the associate director of the Four Diamonds Association, discussed many different projects that they have to offer. The organization raises awareness for pediatric childhood cancer. They promote mini-thons such as dance competitions and talent shows. The goal of the organization is to raise awareness and money for childhood cancer so families who have children that have cancer don't have to pay the large medical bills. Edward Clarke presented the second forum. Mr. Clarke is the executive director of the Maryland Center for School Safety. Many new ideas were discussed about safety in schools. Many students shared that they felt their school wasn't safe. Mr. Clarke had the students participate in a round table discussion about how social media could create false threats of school violence and other important topics. The rising topic about how students are beginning to send inappropriate pictures of themselves to other students also came up. Mr. Clarke explained the role he has as executive director and he promised to bring the concerns the students had back to his team. After these forums, recess continued for lunch.
- V. **Call back to order** *The meeting reconvened approximately 1:13 PM.*
- VI. **Officer and State SMOB Report**
  - **President** Colleen Larsen
    - Visited Charles County and her own region's general assemblies
    - Master of Ceremonies for LEAD D.C.
    - Visited at the CRASC Legislative Dinner
    - Attended Chesapeake Bay Foundation Student Leadership retreat
  - **Vice President** Grace Wu
    - Presentation for the Women's Caucus
    - Calls with regional presidents
    - General Assembly visits
    - Working on MASC awards
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president** Avery Klein (not present)
    - Working with Howard County
    - Attempting to change their MS representative position to an elected position
    - Continuous 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president calls with various regions
    - Helped interview state SMOB candidates
  - **Treasurer** Will Anderson (not present)
    - Working with the secretary and the assistant deputy secretary of MYAC (MD Youth Advisory Committee - Annapolis)
    - He will be writing a testimony on behalf of MYAC for the Frederick County SMOB bill.
    - Continuing to keep track of member schools
    - Legislative Session committee: working on ideas to improve Legislative Session attendance
    - Currently 118 member schools
  - **State SMOB** David Edimo (not present)
    - Working on adding national origin, gender identity, sexual orientation, and gender expression as diversity considerations to the Board
    - Influence considerations of cultural proficiency into all course offerings

- Require annual reporting to the State Department of Education on progress towards meeting these goals

**VII. Executive staff reports** these reports were given to update the Executive Board since the December meeting

- Chief of staff- Matt Talley
- Zion Kidd-corresponding secretary (not present)
- Central Divisional Liaison –Lucas Garlin Torbell and Courtney Tse
- Eastern Divisional Liaison – Sabrina Rusch
- Southern Divisional Liaison - Sydney Neal (not present)
- Western Divisional Liaison – Ibrahim Diallo (not present)
- Environmental Affairs – Emma Rader, Harley Wilson and Michelle Gu
- Evaluations Coordinators – Amany Paig, Alexis Cheng, and Melody Zhang
- Forums Coordinators – Margaret Foulkes and Thomas Ridenour
- Historian- Brie Holder, Kristina Holsapple, Shayla Cook, and Delanie Blubaugh
- Parliamentarians – Sresth Viswanathan, Hunter Marsh (neither present)
- Publications Department – Isabelle Young and Nick Warnick
- Recording Secretary – Alex, Ananya Tadikonda, Pranav Tadikonda
- State Charity Coordinators – Hannah Heron, Dajuon Washington, Quinn Wandalowski
- SLACers –Kyle Smith, Nathaniel Tinbite (Molly Fitzpatrick and Caleb Camara not present)
- STC – Maggie Chen, Pearson Benson, and Amanda Dorsey
- Webmaster -Prad Meyur

**VIII. Unfinished business - none**

**IX. New business**

- People wishing to attend nationals please let Mr. Ledebur know ASAP. Dates: June 24-29 in New Hampshire (your school must be a NASC member school)
- Unsung Hero Award was discussed and voted upon
- Make sure your school is a MASC member school before convention!
- Registration for convention opens March 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- MASC officer application now close on February 21 – with no objections
- MASC Staff applications open on April 1<sup>st</sup>

**X. Comments**

Mr. Ledebur

- Thank you for coming to this executive board meeting
- Encourage your school to become a member school within the next 2 weeks- membership must increase
- Must attend mandatory meeting if you're running for a MASC officer position
- Nationals: New Hampshire (trying for a minimum of 24 MASC students registered)

Mrs. Crawford

- Fundraising guide for NASC on MASC website
- Executive Board meeting in May is changing to June 3<sup>rd</sup> (Huntingtown High School)
- MASC is responsible for one student and one adult workshop at the Region2 conference as well as two round table topics
- Green goals: Should possibly be put on website for everyone to see – staff members should send monthly goals to her ahead of time
- April 1<sup>st</sup>- staff applications open- safety liaison position will be added as per the discussion after the forum presentation this morning

**XI. Announcements**

Check website!

Make sure to complete the evaluation

**XII. Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn meetng, motion was passed. Meeting was adjourned at 2:21

*Minutes submitted by Alex Erhunmwunse*