



**December 2015**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**December 9, 2015**  
**Crowne Plaza Lansing West Hotel**

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**MAASE General Membership Meeting**  
**10:45 a.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER 10:44AM**

Donna Jones, President

**I. Approval of Consent Agenda and Meeting Minutes**

Donna Jones, President

A. December 9, 2015, General Membership Meeting Agenda

B. 10/14/15 General Membership Meeting Minutes

*Motion to approve by Andrew Claes moved and supported by Eric Hoppstock. Motion carried.*

**II. Executive Reports/Announcements**

A. Board of Directors Meeting Report-We are in a period of transition

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Direction of MAASE - Identified 4 focus areas

Restructuring MAASE 3 day format to provide for focus for the work of MAASE as it is just as important as coming to Lansing for PL and meeting

- Electronic reporting for Committee Work via electronic template-begin this format at the February MAASE
- General Membership standing items moving forward:
  - MDE update
  - Lobbyist report
  - President/Board Report
- Use remaining time on General Membership day:
  - Committee/project work
  - Topics with implications to the field
- Change in Developing Leaders Day/Time-TBD

B. Legislative Action Committee

Dawn Bentley

1. Invited back to state Board of Education to review the plan to make Michigan the Top 10 in 10. Will be invited back in January to review final plan and provide additional input.

2. Link on Wiki LAC site to bill

3. Retention Bill

4. Restraint and Seclusion bill

- a. We need to educate our politicians - call your representative to discuss how/why it is necessary. We want all students and staff to be safe and supported behaviorally, but also need to utilize R and S in some situations.

5. AdHoc with Lt. Governor around 5 recommendations

D. Professional Learning Steering Committee

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E. Association Partnership Committee

Matt Korolden

a. Michigan Mental Health Coalition-continued opportunities

- b. New Project approved by Board - Key Topics aligned to the 4 focus areas to take to influential partners.
  - c. Looking for new committee members and new connections to professional associations-please speak to the committee members
  - d. Looking for hot topics that would pertain to an association partner, please share to avoid duplicate efforts.
- F. Other Announcements

**MAASE Standing Committee Reports**

- G. Finance & Legislation Rachel Fuerer
  - 1. Open Meeting to attend, come to learn more
  - 2. Diane Easterling shared that the SE-4096 will go electronic. Will also be for FID, and she is looking for volunteers to test.
  - 3. ESEA workgroup
  - 4. IDEA workgroup will wrap up input for CASE by June
  - 5. Work with LAC for platform and priorities for next year
  - 6. Contact Rachel if you are interested rfuerer@upschools.org
- H. Membership Services Carolyn Smith-Gerdes/Katie Flynn  
No Report
- I. MAASE Mini-Grants Kim Samelstad
  - 1. Deadline 5:00 p.m. Friday, December 11, 2015 for applications - have 25 grants currently, want more.
  - 2. 10 mini-grants available at \$500 each
  - 3. Application and instructions on front page of MAASE under News. Encourage staff to read instructions.
  - 4. Still looking for volunteers to read the mini-grants

**III. MAASE Professional Learning Committee Reports**

- A. Tuesday Professional Learning Shari Armstead
- B. Developing Leaders Abby Allen
  - 1. 47 people in attendance in December
  - 2. DL is free-just need to make sure you register on the website
  - 3. Keynote Speaker - Diane Heinzelman and Dawn Bentley discussed Lt. Governor Task force and how MAASE is participating/contributing.
  - 4. Four breakout sessions: 1. results driven accountability, 2. Students with dangerous behaviors, 3. Students academically well below grade level 4. Highly Skilled Staff
  - 5. #MAASELearns - twitter feed for DL
  - 6. DL looking for a time to meet so it does not conflict with committee work.
- C. Summer Institute Sue Pearson
  - 1. August 7-9, 2016 Looking for Keynote to align with 4 focus areas
  - 2. Request for Proposals coming soon and will ask how your presentation focuses on 4 areas

**IV. Project Reports**

- A. Early On Single Service Delivery Model Tami Mannes/Paul Dymowski
  - 1. Working with MAASE Exec. Board and Early Childhood COP
  - 2. Developing workgroup around topic

## V. Communities of Practice

- A. ASD Program Administrators Christi Owens
1. Starting with the focus area of High Quality Evaluation for ASD
  2. Hope to disseminate and train around the document for consistency across the state
- B. D/HH Program Administrators Trish Lopucki
1. Auditory Neuropathy was the topic in October.
  2. New requirements for HI Interpreter in place September 1, 2016 - will have guest speaker in February on this topic
- C. Early Childhood Administrators Michelle Bahr/Tami Mannes
1. Meeting at noon today in the Aurora Room.
  2. Discussion of Single Service Delivery and 340..1862
- D. Planner-Monitors Michelle Wolschlager/Rebecca McIntyre
- no report
- E. Secondary Transition Administrators Cathy Schmidt/Pete Johnson
- No report
- F. SEI & Adjudicated Youth Program Administrators Kristi Bonter
1. Site visit Monday this week. Met at Lighthouse.
  2. Meeting topics were continuing of programs in counties, services to MI students, grants, and state assessment.
- G. Supervisors of Low Incidence Programs Tina Lawson
1. Program will be sent out this week. January 14, 15, 2016 is a themed focus and it will be on transition programs 12 presentations from locals day 1
  2. Day 2 will be presented by MDE
  3. Discounted MAASE hotel rate has to be secured before you go on Christmas break.
  4. comparisons of programs use of job coaches and teacher assistants vs. aides
  5. Aide shortage
  6. Nursing and staff: student ratio
  7. Discussion of Student Growth
- H. Urban Special Education Administrators Jacqueline McDougal
1. Discussed Specially Designed Instruction (one of the four focus areas) in an Urban School District.
  2. How would it look like in the classroom and how will it look for teachers?
  3. Working with principals to examine lesson plans
  4. Would like to get some speakers in to help with cultural competencies

## VI. Organizations, Work Groups & MAASE Appointee Reports

- A. SEAC Sue Pearson/Sara Park
1. Voted in December to propose SPP 6 targets
  2. Feb. meeting will discuss M-STEP
  3. Guest speaker on homeless 44,000 children in Michigan with IEPs
- B. CASE Eric Hoppstock
1. October 28-29, 2015 visited CASE - 2 priorities identified by CASE (MTSS/results driven accountability and Legal Issues)
  2. CASE hybrid conference February 11-12, 2016 virtual and in person, or CD - casecec.org
- C. Michigan CEC Laurie Jefsen
1. Remind MI CEC annual state conference March 2-4, 2016
  2. Presenters: Anita Archer, Pat Drake,
  3. Thursday and Friday Break-out sessions
  4. Go to itunes and download Brad Cohens Front of the Class hallmark feature it is about the keynote speaker

- D. DAS Advisory Committee Abby Allen/Matt Koekoek
  - 1. Update on M-Step
    - a. Updated Accommodations manual coming (will be posted by January)
    - b. Webinar Dec. 11, 2015 9-10am on accommodations
    - c. There are changes to the accommodations
    - d. Make sure you are receiving Spotlight on Assessment
  - 2. CEC new appointee to committee
  - 3. SAT/PSAT
    - a. Accommodation requests due Feb. 16th to SAT
    - b. Webinar January 13, 2016 3:30pm - focus on State Allowable Accommodations vs. College reportable
    - c. Revised draft Essential Elements are available on MDE website
    - d. Teacher Evaluations - Student growth goals MDE looking for examples of ancillary staff or other unique positions - send to Abby Allen and she will forward on to Vanessa/MDE.
- E. DAS – Assessing Students with Disabilities Advisory Committee Lance Siegwald/M. Proulx
- H. Early On Foundation & MAISA Early Childhood Committee Michelle Brahaney
  - 1. Michigan foundation sponsored a letter to the governor asking for support of Early On. Many ISD/ESA's and other partners signed on
  - 2. MAISA Early Childhood Administrators workgroup now formed - working on literacy and professional development
- F. MASA & MAISA Legislative Committee Jennifer Scott-Burton
  - 1. no report Jennifer at the committee meeting now.

**VII. Informational Items**

- A. Membership Recognition Eric Hoppstock  
No report
- B. Other

**VIII. Murray O. Batten Humanitarian Award Presentation**

Eric Hoppstock thoughts as last year's recipient Dawn Bentley

**IX. Adjournment**

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