

General Membership Meeting Minutes December 4, 2019

Crowne Plaza Lansing West Hotel

Call to Order at 10:47 a.m.

I. Approval of Consent Agenda and Meeting Meetings

II. Legislative Action Committee (LAC) Report by Abby Cypher

- A. Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC)
 - 1. There is a new version available. To find the most recent version, search "Michigan Senate Bill ___" which will take you to the site with the updated version.
 - 2. PC (personal curriculum) vs Modification. The definition of PC is a modification, so they are going back to using the word *modification*.
 - 3. Timeline. If this is voted out of committee, the bill has to go to the House. There is still potential for changes.

B. Strict Discipline

- 1. MAASE echoed the position of MASA and MAISA with a neutral stance on HB 4675.
- 2. MAASE does have concerns with proposed amendments to 380.1311g(6) that need to address Child Find.
- 3. MAASE has spoken with MDE, coordinated with MASA/MAISA, and met with the bill author and bill sponsor to make suggestions.

III. Board Update

- A. A new project was approved to seek a consultant to do a needs assessment and make recommendations around hiring a MAASE Executive Director.
- B. The MAASE CPA firm presented to the Board on the financial stability of MAASE.
- C. MAASE Legislative Action Seminar is scheduled:
 - * Wednesday, February 12, 2020 4:00-7:00 pm at the Crowne Plaza for a dinner/meeting
 - * Thursday, February 13 meetings at the Capitol, with a debriefing session at 2:00 pm at the Karoub Associates office
- D. Reminder to join CEC/CASE! Members can access that application from the MEMBERSHIP tab on the MAASE website.
- E. Ten mini grants were awarded. The list of winners can be found on the website under the LATEST NEWS section.

IV. President Update

Abby Cypher has taken a new position as a Lobbyist for education clients at Karoub Associates. She will also be the Director of the Special Education Leadership Network for MAISA. Since Abby no longer meets the requirements of a voting MAASE member, Nichole (Nikki) Moore, current Vice President, will assume the Presidency for the remainder of the 2019-20 year effective January 1, 2020.

V. Membership Recognition

Member news was shared and guests were introduced.

VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.