

**Call to Order at 9:14 a.m.**

**I. Approval of Minutes and Agenda**

**Renee Thelen**

- A. 2/9/21 General Membership Meeting Minutes
- B. 4/13/21 General Membership Meeting Agenda

Motion to approve the 2/9/21 Minutes

Motion: Jim Lóser  
Second: Ben Hicks  
Motion carried

Motion to approve the 4/13/21 Meeting Agenda

Motion: Lydia Moore  
Second: Matt Koekkoek  
Motion carried

**II. Membership Spotlight**

**Renee Thelen**

- A. Leanne Barton of Gratiot-Isabella RESD was a recent recipient of a Live United award from the United Way of Gratiot-Isabella counties for her work in transitioning an annual fundraiser to a virtual event.
- B. Trish Lopucki of Northview Public Schools was contacted by the Council for Exceptional Children requesting a program visit to showcase Northview's D/HH program as an exemplar to the field.

**III. Board Updates**

- A. MAASE is now a member of the Center for Association Leadership. We also joined the Michigan chapter (MSAE). Resources from these memberships will support our staff and leadership team in achieving the goals of the organization.
- B. Board Meeting Highlights from April 12:
  - a. Approved a contract with Donna Oser of MSAE to lead MAASE strategic planning.
  - b. 2021-22 professional learning will begin as virtual offerings.
  - c. Approved conference rates: Monitoring & Technical Assistance Conference @ \$40; Summer Institute 2021 @ \$175

**IV. Call for Nominations for Board Positions**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Vice President-Elect           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lauren Eardley</li> <li>• Concetta Lewis</li> <li>• New nominations – none</li> </ul> </li> <li>B. ISD/ESA Representative           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lynette Hodges</li> <li>• Karlie Parker</li> <li>• New nominations – none</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C. Region 1b Representative           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mary Zaan</li> <li>• New nominations - none</li> </ul> </li> <li>D. Region 3 Representative           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kirsten Myers</li> <li>• Jim Lóser</li> <li>• New nominations - none</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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**V. Patricia Gilcrest-Frazier Award**

This award recognizes the outstanding service and leadership in the role of a local district public school special education director. Nominations are being accepted through the end of April. The award will be presented at the June General Membership Meeting.

**VI. Opportunities to Get Involved**

- A. The MAASE Regional Representatives were reviewed and the Communities of Practice meetings were reviewed.
- B. Michigan Council for Exceptional Children events were reviewed.
- C. Reminder of how to join CASE from the MAASE website.

**VII. Membership Recognition**

Retirements, new jobs, and other celebrations were shared.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.**