

Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators
Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes of May 8, 2012

Present: Bruce Mayle, Gogebic-Ontonagon ISD – Region 1 (remote connection)
Karen McPhee, Ottawa Area ISD – Region 3
Sheryl Presler, Clare-Gladwin RESD – Region 4
Dan DeGrow, St. Clair County RESA – Region 5
Stan Kogut, Ingham ISD – Region 6
Barbara Marshall, St. Joseph ISD – Region 7
Don Spencer, Monroe ISD – Region 8
Vickie Markavitch, Oakland Schools – Region 9
Chris Wigent, Wayne RESA – Region 10

Absent: Scott Crosby, Wexford-Missaukee ISD – Region 2

Staff: William Miller, Executive Director
Brad Biladeau, Assoc. Executive for Government Relations
Mark Rainey, Grant Administrator
Rob Butler, Grant Manager
David Randels, Legislative Liaison
Mandy Diroff, Director of Operations
Kristin Margelot, Administrative Assistant

Guests: Sue Schwartz, REMC
Kathy Dewsbury-White, Michigan Assessment Consortium

CALL TO ORDER

President Spencer called the meeting to order at 10:04a.

REPORTS

REMC

Sue Schwartz presented information on REMC, the Regional Educational Media Center, inclusive of a description of their programs:

- \$ave Bid Project: provides large volume bid prices on a variety of educational resources
- MI Streamnet: provides online Professional Learning courses for SBCEUs and curriculum resources
- 21Things4Students: preps students for 21st century learning; aligned with state and national tech standards
- Connected Educator Series: offers videos of educators sharing effective technology practices
- Michigan Learns Online: Online learning information portal for educators, parents, and students
- Streaming Video Project: partnership with Discovery Education that contains 293 educational videos and other teacher resources
- Blended Learning Classroom: online lesson on course design; breaks geographic limitations; SBCEU and college credit

Sue also discussed REMC's partnerships and the future retreat they are planning on the Common Core.

Michigan Assessment Consortium

Kathy Dewsbury-White spoke to the Board about the Michigan Assessment Consortium (MAC). MAC's purpose is to work collaboratively to develop student assessments that align to Michigan standards to improve student achievement. Through a grant from MAISA, a 24 module series has been created for Michigan educators. MAC curriculum and assessment specialists from ISDs, RESAs, and a university have created a professional development series designed to show educators how to build and use common assessments. The modules explain each step in the assessment development process. The series was piloted during the 2010-11 school year, and revised by the development team. Educators who wish to develop common assessments are encouraged to use the modules as is, or adapt them for local use.

MIExcel

Mark Rainey and Rob Butler gave a report on MIExcel and the current state of fund spending for the Title I grant. Their team is working on program and financial compliance, and plan to make face-to-face visits to grantee sites.

Regional Data Initiative

Bill Miller reported on RDI, and presented a contract from Riehl Solutions to manage a project lead by MAISA and MDE to work on School 3.0 and the *Look! I'm Learning!* documentary. A detailed report on RDI and its projects will be provided at the June meeting.

MOTION: Moved by Sheryl Presler, seconded by Barbara Marshall, to approve the Riehl Solutions contract for the Regional Data Initiative. Motion carried.

Legislation

David Randels gave a legislative update, which included the following:

- Retirement Reform: no language yet and nothing official
- Budget/School Aid: David gave updates on the consolidation proposal, technology infrastructure grant, Early Childhood, and section 81
- Personal Property Tax: look for ISD revenue to be gone, this bill is critically important especially for Special Ed
- MMC: Movement is expected, Legislative committee supports
- Governor's Council on Educator Effectiveness: pilot study proposed – how will ISDs operate?
- Weapon Legislation: Bill states that concealed weapons cannot be carried in a school, unless it is holstered and the carrier has a permit. This opens up the possibility for guns to be carried in schools. This bill could move forward, and it is unlikely that schools can be removed from it.

Executive Director

Bill Miller gave a report that included the following items:

- Kelley Cawthorne contract: Bill recommended this contract be renewed and will bring the item forward again at the June Board meeting.
- MiBLSi: An effective national professional learning model; Bill will move forward with planning for MAISA involvement and will report to the Board in the future
- Continued Partnership with MDE: Continuance of Darkening the Dotted Lines

Bill informed the Board that ISDs have begun to open up virtual learning schools, and asked that Vickie Markavitch provide input on this topic. Vickie spoke about her experience working with Calvert

Academy to provide a virtual learning school, lead via Oakland ISD. She commented that ISDs have an edge over other entities in that they can provide a full college-prep program that aligns with the Common Core and offers on-call services as well as parent-to-teacher contact. Additionally, Special Ed services are addressed through the local district. Smaller ISDs can opt to join by having Oakland operate the program for them until the ISD has a comfortable number of students enrolled in the program. Oakland will serve as the point district for Calvert Academy and has been given exclusivity for Michigan.

Minutes

The minutes of the March 22, 2012 Board of Directors meeting were presented.

MOTION: Moved by Karen McPhee, supported by Sheryl Presler, to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2012 Board of Directors meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

ISD PR Committee Proposal

Bill Miller presented the ISD PR Committee proposal and letter of agreement with Public Sectors to work on the ISD anniversary project.

MOTION: Moved by Karen McPhee, seconded by Vickie Markavitch, to approve Logo Version 1 and a budget ranging from \$12,267-20,267, to come from the Board Priorities budget. Motion carried.

Financial Report

Bill Miller presented the financial report.

MOTION: Moved by Stan Kogut, supported by Barbara Marshall, that the financial report be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills

John Zoellner presented the bills for the month of March 2012.

MOTION: Moved by Karen McPhee, supported by Vickie Markavitch, that the payment of bills for January and February 2012 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

2012-2013 Budget

Bill Miller and John Zoellner presented the 2012-2013 budget and Board Priorities for consideration. This will be placed on the June Board agenda for approval.

Summer Conference Update

Stan Kogut discussed the upcoming summer conference.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Moved by Barbara Marshall, supported by Karen McPhee, to adjourn the meeting at 1:13p. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the MAISA Board of Directors will be held on June 19th, 6-9p, at the Lexington Hotel in Lansing. Dinner will be provided.