

Meeting Summary

Present: Joe Meyer, Chair, Murray County Central
 Scott Monson, Vice Chair, Minneota
 Ryan Nielsen, Past Chair, Canby
 John Regan, ACGC
 Molly Schilling, Adrian
 Dennis Laumeyer, Benson
 Michelle Mortensen, Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart
 Jeff Horton, Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop
 Todd Holthaus, Hills-Beaver Creek
 Barry Schmidt, Jackson County Central
 Chris Fenske, Lakeview
 Kevin Enerson, Pipestone
 Melissa Radeke, Lester Prairie
 Doug Froke, Renville County West
 Ray Hassing, Round Lake-Brewster
 Sonya Vierstraete, SW Minnesota State University
 Jeff Holm, Willmar
 Bill Adams, Willmar
 John Landgaard, Worthington
 Richard Schneider, Yellow Medicine East

Absent: Paul Bang, Heron Lake-Okabena
 Terry Gaalswyk, Minnesota West

Staff: Cliff Carmody, Executive Director
 Randy Erdman, Director of Finance
 Shelly Maes, Manager of Member Services & Foundation Executive Director
 Abby Polzine, Director of Human Resources
 Liz Deen, Senior Director of Teaching & Learning Services
 Deecy Jesse, Administrative Assistant

- I. Call to Order – Joe Meyer
 - a. Agenda Review and Approval
 The agenda was reviewed. Motion made by John Landgaard, seconded by Todd Holthaus, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Review and Approve 5/24/22 Meeting Summary
 The minutes from the May 24, 2022 Superintendents' Executive Council meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Doug Froke, seconded by Kevin Enerson, to approve the minutes from May 24, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.
- II. Organization of Superintendents' Executive Council – Cliff Carmody
 - a. Election of Vice Chair
 Chair Meyer called for nominations of Vice Chair. Scott Monson was nominated. Motion by Doug Froke, seconded by Kevin Enerson, to approve Scott Monson as Vice Chair. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Special Education Advisory Committee Appointment

Melissa Radeke and Ryan Nielsen currently serve on this advisory committee as representatives of the Council. We will need to appoint one more person to serve on the Special Education Advisory Committee. Molly Schilling was nominated. Motion by John Landgaard, seconded by Ryan Nielsen, to approve Molly Schilling to serve on the Special Education Advisory Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Executive Committee Appointment

Current members include Joe Meyer, Chair, OPEN Vice Chair, Ryan Nielsen, Past Chair, Doug Froke, 2022-23, John Landgaard, 2023-24, OPEN, 2023-25, Randy Erdman, and Cliff. Scott Monson, the newly elected Vice Chair will become a member and 1 representative from the 2024-25 class will need to be appointed. Melissa Radeke was nominated. Motion made by Melissa was nominated by Dennis Laumeier, seconded by Jeff Holm, to approve Melissa Radeke to serve as the 24-25 Class Member.

III. Discussion/Action

a. SWWC Facility Planning Update

Randy Erdman shared the SWWC Facility Planning Update. Discussion followed.

b. FY23 Lease Levy Allocations

Randy Erdman also provided a presentation and a handout of a forecasted levy and a historical lease allocation document. Discussion followed. Additional information will be brought to the November Council meeting.

c. SWWC Bylaws

Cliff Carmody brought the Council up to speed on the changes that were made to the SWWC Bylaws, approved by SWWC Board of Directors in August and emailed to Superintendents.

d. 2022-23 SWWC Staffing Update

Abby Polzine shared with the Council that SWWC has 42 total open positions in the following areas: ELC's, ALC's, Special Education, Behavioral Health, and Technology.

IV. Communication, Information and Updates

a. Executive Committee Report – will have report after the new committee meets.

b. MREA Updates – Todd Holthaus/Dennis Laumeier

Todd encouraged Superintendents to sit in MREA meetings. Board meeting in October and Conference in November.

c. MN Telemedia Report – Paul Bang, Kevin Enerson, Jeff Horton

Last met in Spring. No membership changes.

d. MN River Valley Education District – Chris Fenske

No report at this time.

e. MN Valley Special Education Cooperative – Rich Schneider

Staffing is not an issue.

f. MASA Updates – Bill Adams

The last Board Meeting was held in June. The fall conference coming up. Executive meeting will be held the first of October. Be sure to sign up for the Master Classes. Joe Donovan Crisis Communication Option – free of charge. Program called Learning for Justice is available (example: if students are chanting racial things at an event).

Leadership Team: SW MASA Region 3 is the Executive Committee and Bill Adams.

g. Post-Secondary Partners Updates

i. SMSU – Dr. Sonya Vierstraete

- TEAC – Teacher Education Advisory Council – meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9th. We invite participation and welcome feedback. We will be sharing our Teacher Registry by licensure areas.

--Preparing for PELSB accreditation – site visit fall of 2023

--Preparing to seek initial national accreditation with AAQEP – Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation.

--Offer Para-to-SPED and Para-to-TESL licensure programs, where paraprofessionals/EAs may continue to work in the district while student teaching.

--Offer post-bacc licensure: SPED, ECSE, and TESL (with TESL awaiting official PELSB approval by the board on 9.16.22). Post-bacc programming offers licensure in fewer courses for someone who already has a bachelor's degree.

Contacts:

Director of Clinical Experiences – Rebecca Panka

Director of Assessment, Accreditation, & Licensure – Kala Kopitski
(Tier 2 contacts)

Intentional integration of LETRS/SOR in literacy prep coursework.

NCTR – National Center for Teacher Residency partnership.

ii. MN West Community & Technical College – Dr. Terry Gaalswyk

- h. SWWC Foundation for Innovation in Education Update – Shelly Maes
Foundation post card was shared. Last year was the first full year, due to COVID. \$31,850 raised in 2021-22 to support student enrichment. Shelly will be reaching out to schools to grow attendance in the conferences.

V. SWWC Executive Director Report

- Strategic planning process – SWWC is working with Cheryl Glaeser.
- SWWC Board – required to have more than 50% seated as school board members. SWWC may be in a situation to appoint new board members prior to January 1st.
- Special Ed meetings – following Slayton and Willmar Regional Superintendent meetings at end of September.
- AASA Next Education Workforce – SWWC looking at having a team participate.
- AESA Fellowship – opportunity to attend national conference. Held in Atlanta, GA

VI. Open Forum/Closing Remarks

MDE and EDIAM issues

State Communication

Teacher Crisis

VII. Adjourned at 12:00 p.m.