

Minnesota Board of School Administrators

BOSA Monthly Meeting

Minnesota Department of Education Board Room CC13

1500 Highway 36 West, Roseville, MN 55113

October 10, 2016

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Nancy Antoine, Tracine Asberry, Kim Hartung, Deb Henton, Denise Kapler,
Mary Mackbee, Robert Meyer, Daniel Naidicz, Louise Sundin

Board Members Excused: Jean Haar

Staff:

Corrine Wright-MacLeod, Asst. Attorney General
Janet Mohr, Executive Director
Karen Millar, Administrative Assistant

Guests:

Harry McLenighan, MN Principal Assessment Services
Bill Wold, Capella University
Dr. Lucy Payne, St. Thomas University

CONVENE: MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY Chair Mary Mackbee at 12:52 p.m.

- I. APPROVAL OF 10/10/2016 AGENDA:
ROBERT MEYER MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. TRACINE ASBERRY
SECOND. MOTION CARRIED.
- II. APPROVAL OF 09/12/2016 MINUTES:
TRACINE ASBERRY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. KIM HARTUNG
SECOND. MOTION CARRIED.
- III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
 - Janet Mohr reported on the following:
 - Financial Reports – Manager's Financial Report and Year to Date expenditures. (Handout)
 - Legislative Study Group on Educator Licensing
 - At the last meeting of the study group, the House GOP, Senate GOP and Senate DFL released proposals related to governance and structure and tiered licensure. AMSD has prepared a summary of the three proposals. (Handouts)
 - Valerie Dosland testified on behalf of MASA, MASE, and MCEA and Roger Aronson testified on behalf of MESPA and

MASSP. Both testified to keep the Board of School Administrators as an autonomous Board.

- Study Group members would like recommendations no later than October 18, 2016.
 - Study Group members are interested in stakeholder feedback at their meeting on October 25, 2016.
 - Details of the next meeting: Tuesday, October 25, 2016 1:00 p.m., Room 10 – State Office Building.
 - Talking Points have been prepared (Handout).
- Executive Director Performance Review

 - Executive Director Position Description

 - Association of Metropolitan School Districts (AMSD) Policy Conference is on November 15, 2016, from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the TIES Building, located at 1667 Snelling Avenue N. The topic is Best Practices in Improving Outcomes Cost-Effectively for Struggling Students, Including Those with Special Needs and English Language Learners. Each organization is allowed up to four seats. The fee for this conference is covered through the membership fee.

 - Legislative Committee meets at 2P. Agenda includes:
 - Talking Points for Legislative Study Group members.
 - Budget Proposal for FY18 Legislative Session

 - MASA Fall Conference was held in Brainerd on October 3rd. Author Dave Weber presented on, Sticks & Stones Exposed, The Power of Our Words.

IV. **MDE REPORT:** Hue Nguyen, Assistant Commissioner of Education

Hue added a brief addendum to Janet Mohr's update of the Legislative Study Group on Educator Licensing. There will be three proposals to present this week. Only stakeholders spoke at the last hearing, but MDE and BOT will be speaking at the next meeting.

Report on ESSA – focused on accountability, assessment, educator quality, English learners, and school improvement. Many recommendations, such as additional support to school districts, but there is no additional money targeted to this proposal.

All are invited to be a part of the committee working on the ESSA project. More people are still needed if there is more interest. Moving forward with what is achievable. Additional funding needed to complete work has put some things on hold for the moment. The teacher workforce got extra funding, but not the Regional Centers of Excellence or the World's Best Workforce.

V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Licensing Committee

DEB HENTON MOVED to deny a request for K-12 Principal Variance by Minneapolis Public Schools, Special School District #1, for Sherene Judeh. **NANCY ANTOINE SECOND.**

Discussion: Ms. Judeh was hired as principal of FAIR School, Minneapolis Public Schools, for the 2016/2017 school year. Ms. Judeh applied for a MN K-12 Principal's license. Upon review of her application additional information was requested about *Reach Institute for School Leadership* where she earned a *Master of Education in Instructional Leadership* and her leadership experience at the *Lighthouse Community Charter School* in California.

Reach Institute does not hold accreditation status with WASC Senior College and University Commission. They are a Candidate for accreditation. Due to their accreditation status, Ms.

Judeh's MA degree is not recognized in Minnesota and her MA degree does not comply with MN Rule 3512.0200.

At their September 14, 2016, meeting, the Professional Development Committee of the Board of School Administrators reviewed the accreditation status of *Reach Institute* and recommended Ms. Judeh contact a MN licensure preparation program. Ms. Judeh intends to enroll at the University of MN to complete an MA degree and K-12 Principal licensure program. She is expected to complete program requirements in 2018. (Yes: *Antoine, Hartung, Henton, Kapler, Mackbee, Meyer, Sundin* – Recused: *Asberry, Naidicz*) **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Ethics Committee:

- a. Received 3 new complaints
- b. Closed 2 cases today
- c. Currently reviewing a total of 25 cases
- d. No documents for Board action today.

C. Communications/Legislative Update: No report.
Committee will meet after today's Board meeting.

D. Professional Development and Program Review: No additional report.

E. Executive Committee: No report.

VI. BOARD MEMBER REPORT:

Mary Mackbee thanked the Board for their appraisals of the executive director, which allowed a complete review with input from all members.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Harry McLenighan announced his final retirement. He has worked for the past 5 years to develop the Minneapolis Principal Assessment Services. As a parting gift, the app developed for this process will be available to the public free of charge on the MPAS website.

<http://www.principalsuccess.com/>

VIII. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

IX. LICENSURE MATTERS: NONE

X. NEW BUSINESS: NONE

XI. ADJOURN:

TRACINE ASBERRY MOVED to adjourn. ROBERT MEYER SECOND.
MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Next meeting – Monday, November 14, 2016

Respectfully submitted by:

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