

MASBO Minute

Manitoba Association of School Business Officials

April 2023

Executive Update

The Executive met on March 15th for a regular scheduled meeting. Highlights of the meeting are noted below:

- As part of the executive's on-going professional learning, an article titled; 'Anyone Can Learn to Be a Better Leader' by Monique Valcour, was reviewed and discussed.
- A report on the actions within our 2022/23 goals was reviewed and discussed.
- The review of the 2021/22 year-end financial results was reviewed and recommended for approval by the membership at the June AGM.
- The association travel rate was approved to be linked to the Manitoba Government rate. The current rate is \$0.49/km.
- Feedback from the February Transportation Conference and Maintenance/WSH PD day was discussed.
- An update was provided on the 2023 AGM & Conference planning. Speakers were confirmed and breakout session topics were identified.
- The executive director's current contract was approved to be extended to June 30, 2025.
- Executive, committee, and financial reports were presented, reviewed, and received.

Upcoming Events - Regional Meetings:

Northwestern - April 13-14

Winnipeg - April 20

South-Interlake - April 27-28

Plan to attend to learn and connect with MASBO colleagues. For further information contact your regional director.

South-Interlake - Marco Rosales, Seine River SD

Winnipeg – Brigitte Levesque, Louis Riel SD

Northwestern - Lori Slepicka, Mountain View SD

Executive Director's Message

The MSBA AGM & Convention was held in Winnipeg on March 16 & 17. Many of our Secretary-Treasurer members attended the event with their Superintendents and Board members. There were several breakout sessions and great keynote speakers. A highlight of the event was the Provincial Forum on Education. The representatives were Mr. Nello Altomare, Manitoba New Democratic Party; Mr. Wayne Ewasko, Manitoba Progressive Conservative Party; and Dr. Jon Gerrard, Manitoba Liberal Party. The education partner organizations, MSBA, MTS, MASS, MAPC and MASBO put together questions for the political party representatives to respond to. It was a great opportunity to hear the opinions of the representatives and the direction of their respective parties.

As a result of our involvement in the Workforce Planning Committee led by MSBA, I participated in the Newcomer Job Fair on March 7th along with MASS and MSBA. It was a well attended event with more than 2000 job seekers and over 50 employers. We were promoting the public education system and the benefits of working in and for schools. In speaking with newcomer job seekers from many different countries. It was a humbling, inspiring and encouraging experience to hear their stories of why they have chosen to leave their countries and come to Manitoba to work and live. Many were well educated and must take low experience requiring jobs due to their circumstances. Hopefully some can find employment opportunities in school divisions.

Planning for the **2023 AGM & Conference** is underway. It is being held May 31 to June 2, at the Victoria Inn in Brandon, MB. Watch for agenda and registration information being sent out in the coming weeks. View a listing of the main presenters <u>here.</u>

MASBO News

Our 2023 MASBO News magazine has been published – view the e-edition **HERE**

