



September 2023

MASBO Minute

Manitoba Association of School Business Officials

Welcome Back! I hope everyone had the opportunity to take some recharge time and is ready to continue to do the great work in support of our public education system and the young people in our communities.

Executive Planning

The MASBO Executive met in August to review goals and activities for the upcoming year.

The group spent time reflecting on the past year and identified and discussed several ideas to be worked on for the upcoming year. The broad areas of focus or goals were re-affirmed and will now be referred to as MASBO pillars. The pillars are:

Advocacy

Monitor, prepare for, and respond to emergent issues as they arise in support of the various interests of our membership.

Service to Members

Provide professional development opportunities and other services which bring value to our members.

Communications

Provide ongoing and two-way communication opportunities (inform and consult with our members and our education partners).

Governance

Conduct a regular review of MASBO's governance structure and practices with the aim of bringing forward any changes to the membership at the AGM.

There are several actions within these pillars, many of which are routine in nature, but there are a few areas that will be focused on under the Service to Members pillar. We will be looking at ways to promote the role of MASBO and its members and to support new members. We will also be working on sharing information with all members on the structure of our association and the roles of its executive members.

Another item that was on the planning agenda was the June 2023 AGM and Conference feedback. The valuable feedback was reviewed and discussed and will assist in future event planning.

There are many opportunities for MASBO and our members to explore and develop over the coming year! We're looking forward to another great year!

Mark your calendars –

Lunch & Learn – Introduction to MASBO

Join the MASBO Executive on November 2, 2023, at 11am, as we introduce and explain our association; the MASBO pillars, executive position roles and responsibilities, committee structure and to answer any questions from our members. All members are invited to attend. **Register [here](#).**

MASBO Fall PD

This year, our fall PD event will be combined with the joint regional meeting into a one-day event on **November 22, 2023, at the Victoria Inn Winnipeg.** We will be joined by Darci Lang, motivational speaker and best-selling author of the "Focus on the 90%" philosophy series. Darci believes that each of us can hold a magnifying glass in front of our lives and choose to either focus it on the 90% we can control, the positive and beneficial, or the 10% we can't control, those things and people that bother us and drag us down. It is sure to be an exciting and engaging learning opportunity – watch for further information and plan to attend!

MASBO 2023/24 Executive

President	Lori Slepicka, Mountian View
President Elect	Robert Warkentin, Hanover
Past President	Brian Spurrill, Frontier (Kathy McNabb, Rolling River)

Provincial Directors:

Finance Urban	Elise Downey, River East Transcona
Finance Rural	Amanda Senkowski, Seine River
Transportation	Cam Woodcock, Rolling River
Maintenance	Gibby Finnbogason, Evergreen

Regional Directors:

Northwestern	Kevin Zabowski, Southwest Horizon
South Interlake	Vacant
Winnipeg	Brigitte Levesque, Louis Riel
Executive Director	Paul Ilchena
Executive Assistant	Michelle Munford

Calendar of events for 2023-24 – save the dates

- November 22, 2023 – Fall PD (Darci Lang) & Joint Regional Meeting (Winnipeg)
- February 14 -16, 2024 – WSH/Maintenance/Transportation PD (Brandon)
- April 2024 - Regional Meetings
- May 29 – May 31, 2024 - AGM & Conference (Winnipeg)

Details of these events will be confirmed and shared with members.