MASBO Minute

Manitoba Association of School Business Officials

January 2025

Executive Update

The MASBO Executive held a meeting virtually on January 16, 2025. Highlights of the meeting are noted below:

- A book chapter titled *Focus on the Bright Spots,* by Elena Aguilar, shared by Lori Slepicka was reviewed and discussed.
- A list of current actions and on-going activities within the MASBO Pillars (Advocacy, Service to Members, Communications and Governance) were reviewed and discussed.
- Kathy McNabb was appointed as the executive's representative on the Nominations Committee.
- The MSBA Pension Plan committee needs a MASBO appointed representative with the departure of Amanda Senkowski. Potential candidates were discussed and will be finalized at the next meeting.
- Potential Life and Honourary Life memberships were discussed.
- An update was provided on the planning for the May AGM and Convention. Several potential speakers and content areas within the theme of 'Wellness Centered Leadership' were suggested and discussed.
- The work of the Education Partners Group was reviewed, in particular, the recent joint letters submitted to government in the areas of capital support and planning as well as a pre-budget submission as input to the provincial budget development process.
- Executive, committee, and financial reports were presented, reviewed and received.

Calendar of Events

February 5, 2025	Maintenance/WSH PD Day, Victoria Inn Winnipeg
February 6-7, 2025	Transportation Conference, Victoria Inn Winnipeg
April, 2025	Regional Meetings: Northwestern – April 24-25, Russell South-Interlake & Winnipeg–dates TBD
May 28-30, 2025	MASBO AGM & Convention, Victoria Inn Brandon

MASBO Maintenance and WSH PD day – February 5, 2025, Winnipeg

Registration for this annual event is now open. Agenda topics for the day are:

- Tradeshow
- Ergonomics
- Round Table Discussions
- Facilities Maintenance Programs
- Maintenance Software
- MSBA Risk Management Q & A

There will be opportunities to connect and discuss with colleagues about several Maintenance and Safety topics – plan to attend. Register through the MASBO website.

MASBO Transportation Conference – February 6-7, 2025, Winnipeg

Registration for this annual event is now open. Agenda topics for the day are:

- PTU Updates
- Tips for a well-behaved bus ride
- Tradeshow
- MIT audit process
- GPS experiences

This event is always a great opportunity for Transportation leaders to connect and share knowledge and experience and learn about current issues in the field. Plan to attend – register through the MASBO **website**.

One of the MASBO book groups is reading a timeless leadership book – *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People,* by Stephen Covey, originally released in 1989. Many leadership concepts can be linked to the 7 habits:

1. Be Proactive
2. Begin with the End in Mind
3. Put First Things First
4. Think Win-Win
5. Seek First to Understand and then to be Understood
6. Synergize
7. Sharpen the Saw

Leadership is a Choice, not a Position
Stephen Covey