MASBO Minute

Manitoba Association of School Business Officials

September 2024

Welcome Back!

The 2024-25 school year is underway! I hope everyone was able to enjoy some holiday and recharge time over the summer and are ready to go for another year in our important work supporting the education system, students and staff.

MASBO Executive Planning

The executive held a planning session on August 20 & 21 where activities and plans for the upcoming year were discussed. The group also spent time reflecting on the past year and re-confirmed the 4 MASBO Pillars:

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 continue to promote the role of MASBO and its members and to support new members. A couple of new items we will be working on are: exploring the development of a leadership program for new and future members and gathering member demographics and needs to help in planning future offerings. Stay tuned!

The valuable feedback from the June 2024 AGM and Conference was reviewed and discussed. The feedback helps provide direction for planning of future events.

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!

Calendar of Events for 2024-25

November 19-20, 2024	Fall PD/Joint Regional Meeting, Victoria Inn Winnipeg
February 5, 2025	Maintenance PD Day, Victoria Inn Winnipeg
February 6-7, 2025	Transportation Conference, Victoria Inn Winnipeg
May 28-30, 2025	MASBO AGM & Convention, Victoria Inn Brandon

MASBO 2024/25 Executive

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Thanks to the executive members for their leadership and service to our organization and their colleagues across the province.

Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning - August 22, 2024, Back to School Update Meeting.

The department held a virtual meeting on August 22 and provided an update on several initiatives. Below are the agenda items that were discussed:

Launch of Manitoba's Framework for Learning
2024/2025 Data Collection
Data Dashboard Project
Launch of Universally Accessible School Nutrition Program
Education Funding
Child Care in Schools

One item noted was that the new funding model is still in development with a planned release prior to the 2025-26 funding announcement in February.