

12/19/19 Agenda: GPR Committee

Date: Thurs Dec 19th from 3:30-5pm

Location: RSU 14/Windham-Raymond Central Office

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In attendance: Hilarie Kennedy, Ruth Crowell, Kathy Gills, Suzanne Botana & Suzanne Jones

1. Vote on acceptance of previous minutes
 - SB: many concerns in previous minutes: Report out from Ann B., Lobbyist, possible misrepresentation of events? Do we need to have both “internal documents” and “official minutes”. Can someone try this two document model with the last minutes/notes? No? SB?
 - Vote: not ready: email followup and vote

Old Business:

1. Lobbyist update
 - Go-ahead to hire the lobbyist from EB: trial year (this legislative session)
 - i. We will review: how much difference does this make/ how many gains are there, what about the \$ piece and is it sustainable/how can we make it sustainable if it is beneficial to us
 - ii. 1st step: Bob offers orientation-1 ½ - 2hrs powerpoint presentation up to 30 people-find a time to hold this (doodle poll for Jan afterschool hours)
Tuesday 1/7 3:30-5:30
 1. Invite others beyond committee: people who responded they would like to do volunteer work for MASP
 2. Place to have presentation (Portland area) USM-Hilarie will find a spot
 3. Bob offered to host an orientation of the Capital Building, sitting in on a committee meeting, etc.
 - iii. Providing Bob with what kinds of bills we are interested in tracing
 1. Giving him a copy of NASP Practice Model
 2. MASP Action Plan
 3. Current legislation or bills we are interested in
 - a. e.g., LD 1813
 - b. Can others go into these documents from MADSEC on Drive and highlight what we are interested in and Ruth or Suzanne J will pass along to Bob
 4. Umbrella categories: Special education, children’s mental health, CDS, RTI/MTSS/PBIS, 093 certification, licensure
2. Hall of Flags
 - January 14th

- H connect with A to with details to get more USM participation
 - Invitation and sign-up form will get sent out again after the holidays
 - Materials ordered, catering ordered, mini-grant app 1st draft submitted, save the date out to membership, sign-up created
 - Form letter: Hello-I'm such and such and I am a constituent in your district and I will be at the Capital building on Jan 14th in order to bring awareness to our practice and what we do to support the needs of the students in maine
 - Check back in about table cloth order
3. MePA Collaboration
- At MePA conference, Ruth reached out to Dianne Tennes (chair or legislative committee) and discussed, collaboration around legislation having to do with children, schools and access to mental health. MePA was supportive of this collaboration.
 - Follow up to inform them of our contract with lobbyist
4. Certification Ad Hoc Committee
- Ad hoc Committee officially formed
 - JB has been the lead
 - Jan 16th is the first meeting date
 - Members: Jayne B., Abi O., Ruth C., Jaimie P., Bekkah B., Suzanne B.
5. CDS Transition
- CDS transition rollout: SB followed up with other committee leaders, feedback was that rollout is slow and not a specific priority
 - CDS team meeting with other specialists, SPs may need to be at the table in referral process
 - Planning to prepare our membership
6. DOE Meeting Plan
- New person (Erin Fraiser) coming in for Ann B., last meeting was very productive and good.
 - Do we want to wait until Feb?
 - Can she come to meet us at Hall of Flags?
 - i. Does Mary want to make initial contact and let her know that we will be there?
 - ii. Next EB meeting, Ruth will ask if others would like to join in an initial meeting: Maybe ask Danielle W.

New Business:

1. Review of current legislation documents
2. Internal Notes vs. Official Committee minutes/recommendations, and timely access to Minutes for membership
3. Selection interest criteria in following or participating with regulatory and legislative initiatives: why do we choose some and not others to follow- what is the rationale/consideration?
4. Membership expectations to support regulatory and legislative initiatives- do we ask members to take off work or do we notify members of opportunities to volunteer; what is expected of committee members- how many days off are expected (Flag Day, go to Augusta...what is the expectation?); is there a paid daily or hourly rate to attend

meetings (What are Lobbyists charges per hour?- can members get that for representing the organization?)

5. Professional Position Statements: Does MASP carry forward all of the NASP Position statements into regulatory and legislative initiatives in Maine:

<https://www.nasponline.org/research-and-policy/policy-priorities/position-statements>

6. When MASP does not carry forward the NASP Position statements- what are the organization's statements?

Next Meeting

1. Time and date: Jan 7th for Bob, Jan 14th for Hall of Flags, Feb may be a good time to meet with Erin Frasier
2. Agenda Items: Check back in on last minutes, these minutes, review of current activity