

# GPR Committee

Date: Tues Dec 8<sup>h</sup> from 6-7pm

Location: Virtual

GPR Committee Meeting 12/8/2020 at 6PM

**In attendance:** Hilarie Kennedy, Kathy Gillis, Suzanne Jones, Mary MacLennan, Ruth Crowell, Suzanne Botana

## Old Business:

1. Nov minutes.

a. [Nov Minutes GPR](#)

Discussion: edit the minutes to include a link in the minutes and will clean up the list serve

Motion: accept the edited minutes

Seconded: yes

Vote: unanimous

2. Listserv:

a. Separate document:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kYF\\_DgPsCKinIzxd7rr9hVu3B9Lfoed\\_2ib8sJHTQ6U/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kYF_DgPsCKinIzxd7rr9hVu3B9Lfoed_2ib8sJHTQ6U/edit)

b. These have all been made into contacts on our GPR gmail account

c. Will run a test-email to find out how to keep people from replying to everyone in group

Discussion: proposing making into a file - number of contacts with each - and whether or not they are interested in what we are proposing. Goal to put this information into a spreadsheet. How are we going to use this information? We do not want to overload people with emails and we want to make sure it gets to the right people.

3. MASP GPR website review - check links on Communique to add to the webpage

a. Oct or Nov Communique

1. <https://www.masponline.net/page-18151>

2. There is also this resources page: <https://www.masponline.net/page-18154>

4. Ongoing planning:

a. Keeping track of legislation and committee work (screen meeting minutes/notes, report out, create action steps)

1. Education committee

2. DHHS

3. CDS

4. NASP legislative reports

5. APA legislative reports

ii. Connecting with other groups who also monitor these things and we might be able to work in conjunction with

5. Updates from Executive Board

a. 093 going through with some support EB will keep an eye out for when it will be up for hearing.

b. We need to have someone that would monitor/track this

c. We need to be prepared to present - maybe have the people on the 093 committee could present?

6. Updates from ATS

a. Nothing right now

7. School Psych Awareness week

a. November 9-13, 2020! This year's theme is the "Power of Possibility"

b. Advocacy Campaign update:

c. Thanks to your help, we made **3,802 contacts** from **842 advocates**. In total, across the country, **1,110** unique elected representatives heard our message from a school psychologist! Check out [this blog](#) for a full summary.

- d. For Maine's state event, **11 letters** were sent by **5 advocates** to state legislators. Thanks for doing your part! We are able to further break down the data for either the federal or state campaign if you'd like - just let me know what kind of info you're looking for.
- e. I'll now be disabling the link to the Maine campaign, but can edit and/or make it public it again at any point! In addition, just a reminder that you are able to set up a grassroots campaign like this at any point throughout the year. For example, if there is a bill you're working on in your legislature that you want to demonstrate grassroots support for – this is a great way to do it. You can do so simply by filling out [this form](#).

**New Business:**

Discussion about what bills we might want to get behind - how do we do this efficiently. Plan a whole meeting and make a priority list. Maybe reach out to MEPA. Suzanne J will try to figure out how to track the bills more efficiently. How do we make this work?

**Next Meeting:**

1. Time and date: 6:00PM at January 12th, 2021