

MMSCA Governing board minutes

March 1, 2016

Attendees- Julie, Jeanine, Carolyn, Ann, Dave, Melissa, Jennifer B, Mona, Carey, Gay, Susan P, Janet

Happy to report the conference call went well and feedback was positive. I would like this format to continue for next year.

March 15 is our regional MMSCA meeting. Information will be sent out to members again before the date. Tour will begin at 4:00. Followed by general meeting, dinner and guest panel. Please RSVP to Jeanine at jmielke@cpsk12.org if able to attend.

Discussion was held regarding months for meetings to take place. This will be discussed at the summer meeting, along with a social media committee to produce the advertising materials and summer meeting time to address the upcoming year. I will send out dates to pick from shortly.

Discussion around the newsletter was effectiveness, timely manner of articles being received thus pushing out the newsletter to members. Technology is booming and we need to stay with the times. Thoughts were having a blog from the website, Q and A forum, topics of the month and continuation of facebook and website.

I attended the MSCA meeting this past weekend and will have news to share in another email.

Julie reported that MSC A is restructuring their governing process. Shari Sevier will be staying on as director to assist in the transition.

HB1611 has passed unanimously out of the house select committee. One step closer to getting bill passed. This would be great to have recognition for having comprehensive school counseling program and a great advocacy tool. HB2428 was heard, this is to drop the term guidance. Please email our legislators to support this bill. Carolyn has written and received emails back saying they will support it.

Janet reported about CSOS. Please go to DESE website to view the opportunities available to visit business/industries around Mid-Missouri. K-12 counselors can see how career education connects to business and how they help us.

Ann is excited about our panel discussion coming up next week. State materials are now available and will be used at our meeting.

Mentoring – Carolyn is on the committee to amend the mentoring booklet. Requirements show more of an understanding of what's required.

Publication/research- 12 people helping revise systems support. Redoing the IIR. If sent an email please send feedback.

Gysbers Award will be the same as last year. Next year there will be some changes. RAMP will be undergoing some changes in the upcoming year.

The position of byalws was discussed. Many regions and MSCA have the past president take this position. It is important to know what is going on at the state level. I believe this is the way we will be going also.

Gay is encouraging members to present at the conference. Go to MSCA website to submit a call for program and share your expertise with other counselors. It would be wonderful to have MMSCA individuals presenting.

Melissa reported that we have no retiree or counselor of the year recognitions. Please consider nominating someone. We will be talking about this at our summer meeting and how to get others involved. Ideas were to email principals individually to make things more personal, make the forms electronic, go out to others school to encourage recognizing counselor, retirees and principals.

Gay and Susan have reached out to individuals to complete the slate of officers for next year. More information to come on that soon.

Thank you,
Jeanine