



A Branch of the American School Counselor Association

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JANUARY 20, 2018

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Date and Time: 1/20/18 at 9:00 AM

Location: JHU Columbia Campus

Attendees: Kelly Ruby, Melissa Osborn, Jeremy Goldman, Maureen Ponce, Alexis Pappadeas, Justine Jewell, Laura Jones, Allie Downey, Jon Turner, Eunice Humphrey, Xiomara Medina

Adjourned:

Agenda

1. Call to Order
 - Introductions
2. Review of Agenda/ Approval of Minutes October 2017
3. President Elect –Laura Jones has agreed to run for this position & Allie Downey has agreed to run for secretary position; Kelly will send out an election ballot today and keep it open for 2 weeks (Feb. 3)
4. Past-President – E. Reed
5. Treasurer’s Report – X. Medina/E. Humphrey; working on a system for processing checks/memberships, etc.; \$22,081; still receiving membership dues; grad students joining;
6. Post-secondary VP – Vacant; Reach Higher Initiative; should come from MSDE; in once MSDE gets on board-need a MSCA board member to sit on the committee; Kelly will reach out to Dr. Gonzalez at JHU/Dr. Walkenson/Nickie Hamm at Bowie at Loyola to ask if they will take over this position
7. Secondary VP – J. Goldman; MD College application campaign,
8. Middle VP – N. Bankenstein
9. Elementary VP – J. Jewell; working on membership and getting people involved
10. Membership – B Marchione; ~610 members; group membership discount is still being offered as long as there are 10 people to join; grad students need to join MSCA so that they can points in the screening process to be able to interview for positions (at least in HoCo)
11. Legislative – E. Reed; Jon Turner shared K-2 suspension law has impacted school counseling (since these students often are sent to SC), some resources will be shared;

SE 920 all certificated staff to be trained on suicide prevention-SC may be asked to do some training on this for staff

12. Technology/Communications – C Lorenzo; Kelly will check in with him to see if he is willing to take over the website
13. Graduate Student Seminar – A. Pappadeas; 9-12 workshop style; Breakfast not lunch will be served; 30 students registered; Howard CC (Engineering Bldg.); Melissa Osborn will help at the event; All board members are invited as well; MSCA fleece sweatshirts will be on sale for \$25
14. Public Relations – R Scott
15. Scholarship Committee-Choose 2 winners; Benjamin Garonzik from Balto Co and Kiana Jackson from Frederick Co; looking for someone to chair this committee; President or President Elect will go to senior ceremony to present; Check will be mailed to the school in which they will attend; Laura will contact HS counselors to see when the senior ceremonies will be so Kelly can attend
16. Conference – E Humphrey; April 13, 2018; Laura brought items that MSCA is giving to each participant who attends conference to show everyone; conference will start at 8 and will end by 3:30; offering 2 free registration per county and next week 2 discounted will be sent-sent to all supervisors of school counselors; looking for someone to take over for CEUs-Kelly will look into this & see if she can offer through her county; 10 rooms available to stay overnight at Holiday Inn at discounted rate \$99; looking to have social at somewhere Thursday evening; Allie will post on social media; make it take it table (sensory ball, tissue box-need to collect tissue boxes); grad students will help at conference; need help stuffing the bags the night before; Board members and presenters attend the conference for FREE

ASCA conference-E Humphrey; LDI begins the Wed before the conference; 5 hotel rooms are held for MSCA; MSCA covers flight and 2 nights for LDI assembly; need to look at budget and who is interested in attending; MSCA will pay for 2017 SCOY to attend; Kelly will order crab mallets for LDI (minimum of 200)

17. Gala – L Jones; Friday, Feb. 9, 2018 Martin's Crosswinds in Greenbelt, MS from 6-10pm; ~90 registered; need laptop; please register!
18. Regions
 - a. Regions:
 - i. Southern-B. Marchione
 - ii. Eastern-Vacant
 - iii. Northern-L. Spera
 - iv. Central- M Ponce
 - v. Western-R. Handler
 - vi. Independent Schools-Vacant
19. President's Report – K Ruby
 - a. Graduation Requirements Task Force-Kelly wants MSCA input to share

- i. Credit requirements
 - ii. Assessment requirements
 - iii. Options for awarding high school diplomas
 - b. Regional PD ; Kelly created a google survey to poll members per county in needs for PD; Reginal rep will organize this event; \$500 is allotted for this event; look at hosting in the fall in the future; For this year, we will host a social event in Feb/March; Add Mental Health First Aide to the topic for PD
20. For the Good of the Group
- Xiomara wants info on licensure
 - MCA wants to collaborate with MSCA; maybe another workshop
21. Next Meetings
- a. March 10, 2018, JHU Columbia campus
 - b. June 2, 2018, JHU Columbia campus
22. Adjournment