MACTA Membership Meeting
Hilton Doubletree, Rochester, MN
April 20th 2018

MINUTES

I. Call to order: Called to order by President Jess Lipa at 7:30.

II. Members in attendance: 32 people in attendance.

III. Additions or Corrections to agenda: Troy Haugen made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Jeralyn Jargo. MC

IV. Secretary's Report: Motion to approve the secretary's report made by Troy Haugen, seconded by Patrick Lair. MC.

V. Treasurer's Report: Full report located at the end of the minutes. Motion to approved by Patricia Sanford, seconded by Robb Lowe. MC.

VI. New Business
   a. CTE Licensure/PELSB Update: Troy Haugen gave an update and entertained questions...Full report attached at the end of the minutes.
   b. Fall 2018 Conference: Will again be held with the CTE Works conference. MACTA is working on getting a Leadership Strand for MACTA members as well as teachers we would like to move into leadership. Please fill out the Call For Proposals to present within this strand.
   c. Awards nominations: Google form filled out during the meeting. Link is located later in the minutes as well.
   d. Board Member elections: Four spots up for election; seven candidates. Voted electronically:

VII. Standing Committee Meetings & Reports
   a. Public Policy and Advocacy committee: Go to the MACTA.net website all legislation is posted there. Recent summaries are also at the end of these minutes. Jeralyn reported that she sends all federal listserv information to Debbie as well and she sends them out which keeps us in the loop federally as well as through the state.
   b. Communications-membership and awards subcommittee: Website is deemed effective. Dates of conferences should be posted in the calendar even if we don't know where the conference will be held. One thought is to have webex visiting of conference or record the PD. Start succession planning by bringing a CTE teacher leader to this conference. We still need to expand programming of PD for PS members. Ginny gave an update on Region III awards. Minnesota Award winners moving forward are: **Teacher of the Year:** Lori Brumbaugh, FACS Instructor, Champlin Park HS, Anoka-Hennepin District #11. **New Teacher of the Year:** Katie Crowley, Agriculture Instructor, Academy for Sciences and Agriculture (AFSA), Vadnais Heights; **Administrator of the Year:** Jackie Schiller, Executive Director, Minnesota DECA/Minnesota BPA; **Career Guidance Award:** Patrick Lair, Director of Student Success; Dakota County Technical College; **Community Service Award:** Craig Spreiter, Marketing Instructor, Tartan High School, Oakdale; **Lifetime Achievement:** Robert Marzolf, Retired Agriculture Instructor, Forest Lake HS.
   c. Professional Development: Next conference at CTE Works October 30, 31 the banquet will be 5-7 p.m.; Banquet will cost about $65 due to the higher cost of the venue. Would like to host a reception again at the CTE Works Conference so will be looking for sponsors. The spring conference will be again held in Rochester the dates haven't been set yet. There will be a focus on the Health Sciences.
   d. LVPD Licensure: More info will be posted on the website and contact Cindy Walters for more information. Several people at this conference have expressed interested in having a reviewal.

VIII. Other agenda items
   a. Region III Conference will be held June 20-22 in LaCrosse, WI early registration goes through May 1st.
   b. Board Elections: Brian Cashman, Leah Sams, Patricia Sanford, Jill Murray were elected. Congratulations.

IX. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Troy Haugen, seconded by Sara Etzel. MC.

MACTA Board Meeting
Treasurer's Report
April 20, 2018

Finances as of 4/20/2018

Checking Account	$ 30,202.45	
CD	$ 10,210.50	
TOTAL BALANCE	**$ 40,412.95**	
FYTD Deposits	$ 21,305.60	
FYTD Expenses	$ 8,876.97	
Net Profit/Loss	**$ 12,428.63**	
FY Membership Income	$ 6,150.00	
YTD Active Memberships	36	
Outstanding Revenue	$ -	(est)
Outstanding Debt	$ 12,247.32	(est)
Net OutstandingRev/Debt	**$ (12,247.32)**	(est)
Estimated Liquid Cash Balance	**$ 17,955.13**	(est)

Respectfully Submitted,
Troy M. Haugen
Treasurer

CTE Licensure Update

Reminders:

- Per statute, only **active teacher licenses** on January 1, 2018 were granted a one-year renewal extension. NLCE, variances, and other special permissions are NOT considered licenses, therefore they do not have an extension.
- New statute eliminates all special permissions and teachers will be placed on the tiered structure. (LIKELY EXCEPTION: out of field permissions).
- MDE has NOTHING to do with teacher licensing any longer. As of January 1, 2018, all licensure activity is through the newly-created Professional Educator Licensure & Standards Board (PELSB)
- Per statute, tiered licensure structure takes effect on July 1, 2018.
    - Any fully-renewable licenses on 7/1 will automatically convert to Tier 4
    - Any new applicants after July 1 will be processed under Tier
    - All current license holders will be placed on tier at their renewal
- Rulemaking is in process. https://mn.gov/pelsb/board/rulemaking/
    - Been contentious on a few areas, mostly non-CTE (definition of cultural competence & mentorship requirement)
    - NEW draft was released on 4/16/2018
    - Defines “Career Pathways Teacher” (8710.9010) “A career pathways teacher is authorized to teach students the skills and information necessary for specific career where that career does not necessarily require a four-year degree and which there are not board rules in place. Such careers include but are not limited to law enforcement, cosmetology, and park services.”
- PELSB will likely name their new Executive Director TODAY
- PELSB members continue to go through senate confirmation hearings; three remaining.

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MACTA Legislative Update

CTE in the Education Finance Omnibus Bills

The House and Senate have introduced their Education Finance omnibus bills. The following sections are brief descriptions of the Career Technical Education and safe schools provisions that are in either bill.

Vocational Revenue Enrichment

The House bill creates a grant program called the Vocational Enrichment Revenue grant, and will fund career and technical education in extended week and summer school programs, totaling $250,000 in 2019. The grants are to be prioritized by the Education Commissioner in the following pathways: welding, construction trades, automotive technology, household electrical skills, heating, ventilation and air conditioning, plumbing, culinary arts and agriculture. The original bill would have utilized funding from the Extended Time Revenue, but was altered to a grant program after objections from the Department of Education.

Certificate Incentive Funding

A section of the House bill would amend funding for a school district's career and technical certification aid by saying total certificate revenue must not exceed $400,000, a funding reduction from the $1 million that is currently in state statute. Previously, the Department of Education has stated that only $100,000 of the existing $1 million had been used in the previous year.

Alternative Pupil Definition

Both the House and Senate omnibus bills contain a provision that would allow for 10th grade students who are not enrolled in a public school to apply and attend Career and Technical Education dual enrollment courses offered through the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system.

Safe Schools Legislation

Both the House and Senate bills have provisions related to increasing the funding to projects making schools safer. The House position requires school districts to establish threat assessment teams, as well as allowing a district to amend its long-term facilities maintenance plan to include provisions enhancing school safety by making school security improvements to buildings. The long-term facilities maintenance revenue can also be used to purchase equipment related to security.

The Senate's safe schools revenue proposal is:

- Defines safe schools revenue as safe schools aid and safe schools levy
- Creates a new safe schools aid for school districts equal to $3.65 per pupil unit
- Preserves existing safe school levy at $36 per pupil, and $15 for districts that are part of an intermediate district
- One time appropriation in FY201919 of $13.74 per pupil increase to safe schools revenue
- One time appropriation in FY19 only of $7.50 per pupil for districts that are a member of a cooperative unit, other than an intermediate

The House's safe schools revenue proposal is:

- Starting in FY 2019, establishes ongoing payments of $18 per pupil unit for school districts, one-time aid of $7.50 for units part of a intermediate district, and ongoing aid of $7.50 per pupil for districts that are a member of a cooperative unit, other than an intermediate

- Beginning in 2020, equalizes the existing safe school revenue of $36 per pupil unit

PELSB Rulemaking

The Professional Educators Licensing and Standards Board (PELSB) has faced an ongoing issue related to establishing its rulemaking process. The new state board, which is replacing the now defunct Board of Teaching, is required to establish a set of rules for the new four tiered teacher licensure system by July 1, 2018. In order to meet the deadline, PELSB has been using a timeline and rulemaking process established by the Board of Teaching. This resulted in a decision by a chief administrative law judge that PELSB violated state law by not posting a Request for Comment by January 1, 2018 and by using the Board of Teaching's rule draft from the fall of 2017. PELSB has been allowed to use the Board of Teaching's draft rules, but it must reinitiate the entire rulemaking process, which is has started. PELSB is now seeking an extension on the July 1 deadline for the rules to be set in place.

Youth Skills Training Program

Both the House and Senate Jobs committees heard a bill (HF 4095/SF 3157) that would award Youth Skills Training grants to local partnerships located throughout the state, with a cap of $100,000 per grant. The bills would also increase the appropriation for the Youth Skills Training grant from $500,000 to $1,000,000 in FY 2020. Both bills were laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill in each chamber's respective Jobs committee

Technical Colleges Transferred to K-12 System

Rep. Gene Pelowski (DFL-Winona), minority lead of the House Higher Education committee, had a bill heard in that committee requiring the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to submit a plan that would transfer control of technical colleges to school districts and the K-12 education system. Rep. Pelowski stated that it is his intent to increase access to skills developing courses to high school students by establishing a partnership between technical colleges and their facilities with local school districts. The hearing spurred a conversation from the committee members about increasing access and getting more students involved in career and technical education courses.

HF 4234 was passed out of the House Higher Education committee and referred to the House Education Finance committee. The bill does not have a Senate companion and is unlikely to receive anything but an informational hearing in the Education Finance committee, but it will likely be discussed over the interim and be an issue to focus on going into the 2019 legislative session.

Pensions Bill

The legislature and governor have been working to address funding shortfalls in Minnesota's pension system for public employees. The Senate unanimously passed their pensions bill in March that was passed out of the Joint House and Senate Pension Commission, the companion bill now awaits action in the House.

Highlights of the bill include:

➢ *Employer contribution increase*

- The employer contribution is increased by 1.25% (7.5% to 8.75%) phased in over six years. This is funded through a pension adjustment mechanism supported by a state appropriation.

➢ *Employee contribution increase*

- Increases the employee contribution .25% over six years (7.5% to 7.75%).

➢ *COLA reduction*

- Reduces the COLA by 1% for five years, and then increases it by .01% per year until reaching 1.5%.

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House Releases Budget Targets

With only five weeks to finish their work before the constitutional deadline of Monday, May 21, the House released budget targets for their supplemental budget proposal. The House is prioritizing tax reform/tax conformity ($107 million) and transportation projects ($101 million) by investing over half of the surplus in those two areas. With the third deadline rapidly approaching next Friday, we expect the Senate to release their budget targets early next week.

The House target for the Education Finance Committee is set at $30 million and the House majority specifically lists safety improvements as their priority. Now that targets are out, the House Education Finance Committee will begin its work on its supplemental budget bill. Although Senate targets are not yet released, the Senate is also scheduled to begin its work as well. Expect these bills to pass quickly to meet next Friday's deadline. As soon as more information is available, I will pass along.

Governor's E12 Budget Recommendations Introduced in House and Senate

The Governor's E12 budget recommendations were introduced as legislation in both the House and Senate and heard in the Education Finance Committees. Attached is a summary of the legislation.

Gov. Dayton Lays Out Legislative Priorities

This week Gov. Dayton sent a letter to all legislative leaders detailing his priorities for the remaining weeks of the 2018 session. In the letter, Gov. Dayton provides a list of issues he would like to pass before the dialogue between the legislature and the governor becomes bogged down in budgetary negotiations. The four issues are:

- Protecting elderly and vulnerable adults from neglect and abuse
- Ensuring school safety
- Addressing the opioid crisis
- Stabilizing the pensions of Minnesota's state employees

Gov. Dayton also stipulated that he will not approve of any cuts to state agency budgets when budget bills are sent to his desk.

Committee Hearing Update

This past week the House Higher Education Finance and Policy Committee heard HF 4234, which would require Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to submit a plan to transfer technical colleges to the K-12 system. The bill is chief authored by Rep. Gene Pelowski (DFL-Winona), and was passed to the Education Finance committee. It isn't likely that HF 4234 will receive a hearing this year (it could be given an informational hearing), thought it may be introduced at the beginning at the 2019 session.

The Senate Education Policy Committee has begun confirmation hearings for the new Professional Educator Licensing Standards Board and will. The committee then makes recommendations to the full Senate for a vote on confirmation to be held later in session.

The Senate Education Finance Committee heard several bills to provide school districts school safety funds. One bill proposes to extend the allowable uses of LTFMR for school safety purposes and adds an aid component to LTFMR (for six years). The committee also heard two bills to increase the safe schools levy.

The House Education Finance Committee heard legislation to create a new component of special education aid called special education equity aid.

All bills were laid over for consideration and possible inclusion in the supplemental budget bill.

Office of the Legislative Auditor-Early Learning Evaluation
The Senate Education Finance Committee and the Senate Education Policy Committee have scheduled a hearing on the OLA early childhood evaluation for April 26. The report is not yet released but as soon as it is available, it will be forwarded.

MACTA Federal Legislative Update 4/13/18
From the ACTE Policy Blog: http://ctepolicywatch.acteonline.org/

Spring Congressional Agenda—What's in Store for Perkins?

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Congress returned from recess this week to a full agenda, but with little certainty as to which pieces of legislation would rise to the top of its priority list. With just over 6 months until the mid-term elections, the pace of legislative activity is likely to slow even further as partisanship and the campaigns take center stage. However, there are still some legislative issues getting attention. At the macro level, infrastructure is expected to receive some action, although questions remain about how comprehensive any effort will be. Congress is also expected to move forward with a package to address the opioid abuse crisis. Funding for the federal government for FY 2019 is one of the few "must pass" pieces of legislation before the midterms. With appropriations work on FY 2018 finally wrapped up, work shifts to FY 2019, and Appropriations Committees are in the midst of a flurry of hearings on a wide variety of topics related to funding.

More specific to education, discussions continue on both the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act and the Perkins Act. While neither has been at the forefront of congressional attention in recent weeks, behind-the-scenes work is occurring. On Perkins, Senate staff continue to look for a path forward and ways to address underlying differences of opinion, particularly around Secretarial Authority, that have stalled work. Recently there have been new internal conversations among education committee staff, and language and ideas are being exchanged to prompt discussion. These initial ideas are not formal bills or proposals, but a starting point and just one part of the negotiations before action is taken. While some of the ideas we have heard are not aligned with ACTE priorities and would present significant concerns, we remain engaged in the process and are working with Hill staff to address these issues.

All members of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee are open to and remain engaged in receiving feedback from constituents on Perkins and CTE generally. As soon as there is formal language to respond to, we will send a legislative alert and let you know it is time to take specific action!

MACTA FALL AWARD
PRE-NOMINATIONS

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MACTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION - 2018

The following MACTA board terms are ending June 30, 2018:

- Jessica Lipa (president)
- Jean Rakun
- Cindy Walters (secretary)
- Patricia Sanford

The following people have indicated desire to be on the MACTA Board:

- Brian Cashman
- Paul Klym
- Jean Kyle
- Jill Murray
- Leah Sams
- Patricia Sanford
- Cindy Walters

VOTE HERE:

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