



MASSP Executive Board Meeting

May 17, 2025

8:00 (breakfast) with formal agenda from 9:00-12:00

Hybrid (in person at Special Olympics MD, 3701 Commerce Drive,
Baltimore, MD, 21227)



Agenda

MASSP General Meeting: May 17, 2025

Call to Order: Michael Brown (President)

- Meeting being recorded 9:10
- Yonder presentation

President's Report: Michael Brown

- Welcome
- [MASSP.President.Report.5.17.25.docx](#)

Presentation by Yondr (20 minutes):

- Creating cell phone free spaces...
- Kelly Stultz, Education Account Executive, Yondr

Minutes Erin O'Hara (Secretary)

- Approval of minutes from [MASSP Exec Board Meeting Minutes 3-22-25.docx](#)
 - 1st: Linda Chandler
 - 2nd: Ricardo Hernandez
- Attendance

Election of President-Elect and Secretary:

- President-Elect candidate(s): Eunice Humphrey-Elected President Elect
- Secretary candidate(s): Erin O'Hara-Elected Secretary
- Nominations from the floor- no nominations

Treasurer's Report: Marc Cohen

- [Explanation Video](#)
- Call for members! Each board member is asked to get 2 new members in their county. Bigger counties please try for more.
- Call for vote of budget-Budget passed

Membership Report: Beth Megonigal, Membership Coordinator

-  Snapshot Membership Report 5-15-2025.pdf

NASSP State Coordinator: Melissa Shindel **Melissa Shindel**
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- Advocacy discussion-decisions regarding our area(s) of focus for advocacy in the upcoming year.
- [What are your GROUP's Top 3 Advocacy Priorities?](#) (collective discussion)
- What are YOUR Top 3 Advocacy Priorities? (link coming during meeting)
 - [What are YOUR Top 3 Advocacy Priorities?](#)
- [Top 3 Advocacy Priorities for 2025-2026](#)
- [NASSP's federal policy and advocacy update webinar](#) and  [slide deck](#).
 - Things moving fast
 - ED staff are not always in the know of what decisions are coming from the Secretary and which are Office of Management and Budget.
 - Lack of transparency and communication.
 - Examples:
 - On March 28th - ED Secretary McMahon letter to State Chiefs with a new deadline for ARP/ESSER liquidation (spending); individual project extensions on case-by-case basis.
 - Week of May 1st - ED released a letter to the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) grantees stating grants were not in the "best interest of the Federal Government."
 - May 14 - New national school voucher program - Educational Choice for Children Act (ECCA) tax credit shifts \$20 billion of public funds to private school choice; requires states to have a program.
 - NASSP 2025 Legislative Agenda: nassp.org/2025legagenda

Take Action Now!

- ✓Text **NASSP** to the phone number **52886**
- ✓Follow the link you receive to "Action Alert" campaign
- ✓Fill in your information and send the message!

Committee Reports: Committee Reports will be done in writing and attached to the minutes

- **Attendance Committee:** Yetunde Reeves: No report to share at this time.
- **MSDE Task Force Cell Phone Use in Schools:** Anthony Barone: Our cell phone task force team met for the final time. We created the final draft of the cell phone guidance that was shared with all LEAs. It included ideas for implementation, consequences, and how to do it all equitably.
- **MPSSAA:** Donna Clabaugh [MPSSA Report to MASSP May 17 2025.pdf](#)
- **PSTEB:** Stephanie Farmer: No report to share at this time.

- **MSDE Student Data Privacy:** Tony Bevilaqua: No new meetings held.
- **MASC:** Deborah Dennie: Things are wrapping up for the end of the school year at MASC. As we speak, the new officers are being sworn in at the last Executive Board Meeting this school year. The incoming President and Treasurer are from Baltimore County and the incoming 1st & 2nd Vice Presidents are from Montgomery County. Today there will be about 100 students in attendance, with about 20 online.
- The annual Convention had 1029 registrants. MASC did something new this year. The Convention was held at the Ocean City Convention Center. The participants used four neighboring hotels for accommodation. Based on the feedback from Regional Advisors, it was a success, so MASC will be signing a contract for the next two years to continue in this fashion.
- **Special Education Blueprint:** Michael Brown: No new meetings held.
- **Maryland Center for School Safety:** Michael Brown:
[MCSS.Committee.Report.5.17.25.docx](#)
- **AIB Pillar 5 Committee:** Michael Brown: No new meetings held.
- **Maryland Fine Arts Education Advisory Panel:** Dr. Yolanda Holloway: No report to share at this time.
- **Telehealth:** Ricardo Hernandez and Jenifer Rayne: No new meetings held.
- **Assessment and Accountability:** James Allrich: No report to share at this time.
- **Administrator Work Licensure group:** Eunice Humphrey: No new meetings held.

Executive Director's Report: Chris Truffer

- **Sharing of celebrations (pride moments)-**sharing opportunity!
- **Student Shout Out-**David Arrowolo, Eastern Tech sophomore, has been elected as President of the National Association of Student Councils (NASC)! [NASC Article](#)
- **Summary of the year-**highlights since October 15.
- **State Executive Directors Conference-**key question-"How are WE elevating the role of principals in Maryland?" How can WE collectively support this as a primary point of focus moving forward?
- **Continuing as a board member-**if you do not wish to continue serving as a member of the Executive Board please let me know as soon as possible. I will be working to fill current and any upcoming vacant positions

- **MASSP/NAASP Shirts**-Working on trying to get polos for members of the Board. Please access the Google doc to put your shirt size: [MASSP/NAASP Shirt Size](#)
- **Growth Zone**-our new website is up and running! **Testimonials regarding membership in MASSP for new website-send them to Chris for publication.**
- **Survey Results**-plans for the upcoming year regarding professional learning and networking opportunities.
- **Principals and Assistant Principals Awards**-further updates on status/timeline (Linda Chandler, Kim Culbertson)
- **Potential sponsors/exhibitors/vendors**-consider who you have established relationships with; send names to Chris!
- **NAASP/NAESP UNITED Conference**-July 11-13 in Seattle; <https://www.theunitedconference.org/>; NAASP Membership Party, 7/11/25, 6:30-9:30. NAASP members registered for the conference have/will receive an e-mail to RSVP.
- **Maryland UNITED Fall Leadership Conference**-November 6-8, Ashore Resort and Beach Club, Ocean City; we would love to have more secondary level attendance for this upcoming year! **Need a few people to serve on the planning committee.** Please let Chris know if you are interested. We want to ensure “secondary voices” at the planning sessions!
- **Awards for School LeadersPurpose: (Linda Chandler)** To more inclusively recognize the positive impact Assistant Principals and Principals are making in school communities.
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- **APOY/POY (MS and HS for each award)**-these awards will be following the same timeline beginning this year per NAASP. Applications will be available on September 1. Chris will send out announcements letting people know to begin nominations prior to that date.
- **Save the Dates:**
 - **Assistant Principal and Aspiring Leader Conference, February 24, 2026, Maritime Conference Center**
 - **Women’s Leadership Conference, March 19, 2026, Maritime Conference Center**
 - Mark your calendars!
- **Summer Plans**
- **Reminder-AIB Information/Feedback/Discussion Session, May 20th at 4:00 via Zoom link: [AIB Session 5-20-25](#)**

MASSP 2025-2026 Executive Board Meeting Schedule:

- **September 27th, 2025, 7:30-12:00** (hybrid meeting; tentatively scheduled at Special Olympics Maryland office, 3701 Commerce Drive, 21227)
- **November 6th, 2025, 5:00-6:00** (hybrid)-at the Maryland UNITED Fall leadership Conference; Ashore Resort and Beach Club, Ocean City
- **January 24th, 2026, 9:00-11:30** (virtual)
- **March 21st, 2026, 9:00-11:30** (virtual)
- **May 16th, 2026, 7:30-12:00** (hybrid meeting; tentatively scheduled at Special Olympics Maryland office, 3701 Commerce Drive, 21227)

Passing of the Gavel

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Meeting Adjourned: 11:31am