



AESD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2022, 12:15pm – 1:45pm // Zoom

Executive Board

President

Vacant

Vice President

Marcia Henkle, NCESD

Members

June Sine	NEWESD 101
James Sebree	ESD 105
Darlene Stickel	ESD 112
Dale McDaniel	CRESO 113
Carl Johnson	OESD 114
Mehret Tekle- Arawan	PSESD 121
Terry Brandon	ESD 123
Marcia Henkle	NCESD 171
Merle Kirkley	NWESD 189

Superintendents

Mike Dunn	NEWESD 101
Kevin Chase	ESD 105
Tim Merlino	ESD 112
Dana Anderson	ESD 113
Greg Lynch	OESD
John Welch	PSESD
Darcy Weisner	ESD 123
Michelle Price	NCESD
Larry Francois	NWESD

Legislative Liaison

Melissa Gombosky

Executive Director,

AESD/OSPI Network

Jessica Vavrus

I. Welcome/Introduction - Lead: Vice-President Marcia Henkle
Marcia Henkle called the meeting to order at 12:20pm and welcomed alternate board member representatives, incoming superintendents, and guests. Attendees introduced themselves.

II. Consent Agenda - Lead: Vice-President Marcia Henkle

Actions: *President calls for a vote to approve today's agenda and the prior meeting minutes.*

June Sine motioned to approve the minutes.

Darlene Stickel seconded.

Motion approved.

Information & Discussion

III. AESD Network Updates - Lead: Tim Merlino

NOTES:

Strategic relationships:

- Revising partnership agreement with OSPI and are developing 22-23 program agreements with cabinet level leadership
 1. Draft expected by June 2022
 2. Provide expectations around goal setting and accountabilities around statewide initiatives
- Statewide COVID Testing and Mitigation Supports for Districts
 1. Partnership with WA State Dept of Health, OSPI, and Health Commons
- Considering continuation of supports in the 22/23 year
- No-cost extension of funds. Will know within 2 weeks if we can keep covid testing employees on. Working to maintain ESD staff for at least another year
- Early Learning (Prenatal - Grade 3) System Supports
 1. Partnership with OSPI, DCYF, Child Care Aware, Community Providers
- Integrated Pre-K Alignment and Coordinated Recruitment & Enrollment Support

- Age 4 can start kindergarten early. Needs to align with other Early learning programs. Working with ESDs to expand transitional kindergarten. Hoping for additional funding over time to fund these positions
- Region 16 Comprehensive Center
 1. Partnership with Oregon Association of ESDs and Alaska South East Regional Resource Center
- Each state has a service plan partnered with ESD members.
- Community of Steward Network: Engaging ESD leadership with this partnership

IV. Redesign Process Update & Strategic Plan Considerations - Lead: Tim Merlino

NOTES:

- Continued progress on Bold Steps
- Consider implications for other AESD foundational governance documents

Bold step updates:

- Rethinking initiative leadership- considering addition of initiative leads positions and how these positions support. A co-design team of ESD Leadership and OSPI partners will meet again next week to continue this work.
- Review in progress of governance documents in light of redesign recommendations including network positions.
- Considerations for the AESD Strategic Plan
 1. How should we consider the strategic plan moving forward?
 - a. We plan to have this discussion at the June 28th in-person board meeting.

V. 2022 AESD Annual Meeting Updates & Board Member Orientation Materials- Leads: Jessica Vavrus, Dana Anderson

NOTES:

- Registration update 27/69 board members are registered and we hope to have at least 35 board members. Please encourage board members to attend.
- Jessica gave a preview of the Annual Membership Meeting Components and the responsibilities of the Executive Board during the meeting.
- The Executive Board received pre-reading materials to share with colleagues on March 19 with reminder sent to superintendents on April 11.

- The agenda includes:
 1. State/National Updates
 2. AESD Celebrations & Fun
 3. Shared Learning/Informational
 4. Business Meeting Components and action items
 - a. Proposed AESD Constitution revisions
 - b. AESD Executive Board Officers
 - i. Voting will take place live during the meeting
 5. Proposed 22-23 AESD Budget
 - a. Executive board members will present budget
- The meeting will be recorded for board members to attend asynchronously.
- Board member orientation Handbook- Dana Anderson
- Dana gave the board a tour of the AESD New Board Member Handbook and its purpose. Dana thanked the Handbook Development Team for their ongoing work.
- The handbook provides a guide to ESD boardsmanship, the AESD role in service delivery and initiatives, and supporting materials including the AESD constitution and strategic plan.
- To utilize this new resource- the AESD Annual meeting will include breakout sessions that will be facilitated by Executive Board members around guiding questions
 1. How is ESD board membership different from school boards or other board roles you have had/known?
 2. How do you engage with your local school boards?
 3. Based on what you have heard so far, what is one thing still 'rolling around in your head'?

VI. AESD Executive Board Award of Distinction - Lead: Marcia Henkle

NOTES:

Cliff, Merle, and Marcia served as the Award Committee. Marcia thanked the committee for their work.

Nomination window was open from Mar 8- Apr 12

- 3 nominations received
- 2022 recipient chosen

Criteria

- service and/or contributions to AESD
- Demonstrated leadership

- Engagement with ESDs (staff or regional/statewide educational partners)

**Excluded from consideration: ESD Superintendents and members of the AESD Executive board

Recent recipients

2020: Rep. Laurie Dolan (22nd district)

2021: Larry MacGuffie (NCESD 171)

VII. Good of the Order - Lead: President / All

NOTES:

- ESD 101: 14 new district superintendents
- ESD 105: No updates
- ESD 112: 10 new district superintendents
- ESD 113: All seven board positions are filled. Looking forward to the Annual Meeting and Spokane conference. 10 new district superintendents
- ESD 114: Extending a thank you to the ESD 189 Accreditation team for their work. Board has some questions about the AESD budget sustainability and could be discussed at the AESD Annual Meeting.
- ESD 121: 10 new district superintendents, a large percentage are 1st time superintendents
- ESD 123: 2 new district superintendents, need to fill board vacancies
- ESD 171: 11 new district superintendents, including the three largest districts
- ESD 189: Still looking for volunteers for accreditation panels, 6 new district superintendents

Jessica did a brief review of the 22-23 meeting schedule and upcoming conferences.

XIII. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 1:19pm