

MINUTES
MOEC Board Meeting
February 12 at SEEM Collaborative

Attendees: Richard Murphy, Cindy Landanno, Theresa Craig, Cathy Lawson, Colleen Dolan, Catherine Cooper, Steve Theall. Via video conference: Liz Mc Gonagle, Bill Diehl, Cathy Cummins. Via phone: Chris Scott

The meeting began at 10:00 am with the Executive Director's report. Steve Theall reported on the AESA Legislative Meeting, which was held in Washington DC on January 23 and 24. Steve Theall and Cathy Lawson joined more than 30 colleagues from across the country to prioritize the AESA federal legislative agenda. Steve Theall then suggested that the new Commissioner of Elementary & Secondary Education be invited to one of MOEC's upcoming meetings.

The board then discussed the search process for the new MOEC Executive Director. The board reviewed the draft of the job description, which will be posted on School Spring, the MASS Listserve, the AESA website and other sites. The search committee will include representatives from each region.

Options for the location of the MOEC office and MOEC meetings were then discussed. It was suggested that an RFP process for MOEC office space and MOEC meetings be created. The board will discuss this idea in more detail at future board meetings.

Steve Theall and the regional representatives will meet with Russell Johnston and his team on February 13th to review the feedback from the January regional special education leaders' meetings. He will hand deliver a letter from MOEC asking ESE to provide context when the restraint data is released.

The board then discussed the collaborative bill. Steve Theall is hopeful that the bill will be enacted this year. Steve also stated that MOEC is continuing to pursue discussions with the Ethics Commission on unintended consequence of the statute that unnecessarily precludes member district staff from sharing their expertise across and among collaborative member districts.

The board received a brief update on the development of the online database of collaborative programs and will have the opportunity to test the database before it is completed.

The May Annual Meeting date will be changed to May 21. The meeting will begin at 10:00 am. The board discussed the possibility of convening a board meeting at 9:00 am on that day.

The treasurer presented the bank balances to the board.

The minutes of the December 2017 board meeting were unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm