

**MINUTES
MOEC Executive Board Meeting
March 8, 2010**

**EDCO Collaborative
281 Winter Street, Waltham**

In attendance: Catherine Cooper, Bob Gass, Susan Cuoco Hassan, Anne McKenzie, Richard Murphy, Susan Rees, Joanne Haley Sullivan, Steve Theall, Dorsey Yearley, Lise Zeig

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

Executive Director Report

- MSBA

Steve Theall drew the Board's attention to some comments and letters made on MOEC's behalf about the new regulations.

- Legislation

Steve Theall reported that both the hiring/firing bill and the bill to expand boundaries for cooperative purchasing were reported out of committee favorably. The professional status bill was sent to study.

- Special Education Transportation

Steve Theall updated the Board on the Special Education Transportation Initiative.

- East Bay Educational Collaborative

Steve Theall reported on his visit to East Bay Educational Collaborative and some of its services that MOEC might also like to provide.

- Charter School Leaders

Steve Theall and Bob Gass reported on their meeting with Mark Kenan, head of the Massachusetts Charter Public School Association.

- Regional Advisory Commission

Steve Theall reported on MOEC's meeting with the Regional Advisory Commission. Joan Schuman, Joanne Haley Sullivan, and Dorsey Yearley attended.

- Annual Meeting Planning

The Board discussed inviting several legislators to the Annual Meeting.

DESE Update, Lise Zeig

Lise Zeig distributed survey results indicating district interest in DSAC professional development courses.

Lise Zeig reminded the executive directors that they need to preapproved vendors to offer DSAC professional development.

Lise Zeig and the executive directors discussed the complications of giving Collaboratives access to student-level data. Lise Zeig suggested a meeting with Collaborative executive directors, DESE data warehouse staff,

and legal counsel. Steve Theall suggested that MOEC write a memorandum to DESE describing the problem. Lise Zeig will consider to whom the memorandum should be addressed.

Annual Report Update, Caroline Sabin

The executive directors made suggestions for the MOEC Services and Savings survey:

- Not completing it every year
- Using students from UConn, UMassAmherst, or Brandeis to design it

Regional Services

Caroline Sabin presented a list of services offered in each MOEC region. The executive directors added to that list.

Legal Issues Seminar Planning

Steve Theall solicited topics for the April 12 Legal Issues Seminar.

Treasurer's Report and FY 11 Budget Development

Richard Murphy reported that MOEC has sufficient reserves to fund the budget without the grants and SPOKE dues, without a change to the dues structure.

Other Issues

Steve Theall announced that the Board will meet from 1:00-2:00 following the Legal Issues Seminar.

Bob Gass announced that Colleen Nolan will replace him as executive director of Northshore Education Consortium.

Steve Theall announced that the North region needs a new regional representative.

Steve Theall asked if MOEC should ask Gini Tate to review the DESE MOU. MOEC funds would pay. Dorsey will contact Gini Tate.

Approve minutes of February 8 meeting

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 8 Executive Board meeting. The motion passed 6-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:30 p.m.