

**APPROVED MINUTES  
MOEC Executive Board Meeting  
The Education Cooperative  
June 13, 2011**

In attendance: Catherine Cooper, Cathy Cummins, Susan Cuoco, John Fletcher, Richard Murphy, Joan Schuman, Joanne Haley Sullivan, Steve Theall, Dorsey Yearley

Executive Session began at 12:00 pm

The board meeting began at 12:15 pm

**Children's League Update:**

Bob Gass gave an update on the Children's League of Massachusetts meetings he has attended. He suggested that Barbara Talkov, Executive Director of the Children's League, be invited to a MOEC board meeting. Steve Theall suggested that Bob invite her to the September meeting. Steve will follow up with a letter.

**Legislative Update:**

Steve Theall gave the legislative update on the bills concerning professional status for collaborative teachers and innovation school grants. The board also discussed the GIC bill. Steve Theall noted that now that Julie Cox has joined ML Strategies, there may be a conflict of interest that precludes her from continuing to work for MOEC, in which case a new lobbyist would need to be hired. Steve will keep the board informed.

**Adoption of MOEC Strategic Plan**

Susan Cuoco moved to adopt the strategic plan as written. The board voted unanimously in favor of adopting the strategic plan. Susan suggested that a cover sheet for the strategic plan be developed that summarizes the process, mission and vision of the plan. Steve Theall offered to create the cover sheet. Steve recommended that the website list the strategic plan's bolded goals. Joan Haley Sullivan suggested that some of the work with UMass be mentioned.

**Update on three Strategic Plan goals: Data Collection, Board of Education Presentation, Conference Planning**

- **Data Collection** –The board discussed different options for collecting data.
- **Board of Education Presentation** –Steve Theall will continue to pursue getting MOEC on the Board of Education's calendar.
- **Conference Planning** – Joanne Haley Sullivan will decide who should be at the proposed fall conference and Steve Theall will provide input. A written proposal about the conference will be presented at the September board meeting.

## **Coordinated Program Review**

Cathy Cummins just finished the pilot and will leave her binder for review. Susan Cuoco suggested that Cathy make a presentation to the general membership about the Coordinated Program Review process.

## **MOEC 2011-2012 Calendar**

The board approved the meeting dates. Steve will add meeting locations to the calendar and have it e-mailed to board members

## **FY 12 Budget**

The board unanimously approved the FY 12 budget.

## **Treasurer's Report**

The board discussed the best use of the fund balance and agreed that it should be put toward strategic planning activities such as the proposed fall conference.

## **Contract Extension: Stephen J. Theall**

The board voted unanimously to extend Steve Theall's contract.

## **Regional Updates**

- **Greater Boston:** Dorsey Yearley reported for Susan Rees, who could not attend the meeting. Dorsey stated that the Greater Boston collaboratives have been doing a lot of information sharing and have been supporting each other in their efforts to move business to each other when appropriate.
- **South Region:** Catherine Cooper reported on the meeting that DSAC South Director Marcia O'Neil had with the SCRO board.
- **North Region:** John Fletcher reported that the next regional meeting will be this summer.
- **Central Region:** Cathy Cummins reported that the Central Mass Regional meeting will be held June 14.
- **West Region:** Joan Shuman reported on a tri-state effort with Connecticut, Rhode Island and Western Massachusetts on a technology project. She also suggested that MOEC put the topic of Wisconsin's ESA structure on a future board meeting agenda.

## **Approve minutes of April 11, 2011 Executive Board meeting**

The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2011 Executive Board meeting.

## **Other Issues**

The board discussed the policies that their collaborative boards follow for approving contracts.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15.

Respectfully submitted by A.M. Atallah