



MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL SCHOOLS

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To: Board of Directors
From: Barbara Ripa, Exec. Director
RE: January 8, 2019 MARS Executive Board Meeting Agenda

A Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at Assabet Valley Regional Vocational High School at 9:30 am. The meeting will be held in the Lecture Hall. The agenda follows;

- 1.0 Call to order – Michael Fitzpatrick, President
 - 1.1 Welcome
 - 1.2 Thank you to Steve Hemman
 - 1.3 Welcome to Maureen Marshall
- 2.0 Approve contracts:
 - 2.1 Maureen’s contract as Assistant Executive Director
 - 2.2 Maureen’s contract as MARS Consultant
- 3.0 MARS audits completed
 - 3.1 Federal report completed by Melanson and Heath and filed
 - 3.2 MARS filing with Secretary of State completed
 - 3.3 MARS Internal Audit completed
- 4.0 MARS Budget Report
 - 4.1 FY2019 Budget Report
 - 4.2 Total dues collected as of 12/31/18
- 5.0 MARS Budget 2020
 - 5.1 Propose dues remain at \$950
 - 5.2 MARS staffing - discussion
- 6.0 MARS Meeting Calendar 2019-2020
 - 6.1 General Meetings
 - 6.2 Board Meetings
 - 6.3 Conferences
 - 6.4 Workshops and Trainings
 - a. Operations Training for End superintendents, business officials and school committee members (2 days next year)
 - b. End-of-Year Report Training
 - c. E&D
 - d. GASB
- 7.0 MARS Consulting Group update – Steve



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- 8.0 Legislative Breakfast update
- 9.0 Chapter 71 Study Commission Appointment
- 10.0 FY20 Ed Reform Discussion
- 11.0 Update of 2018-2019 MARS Goals
- 12.0 MARS Website recent edits
- 13.0 Conference Committee removal of language providing for a Regional School District Commission - next steps
- 14.0 Should meetings start later to address heavy traffic issues? Discussion
- 15.0 Other business
- 16.0 Next meeting: MARS General Meeting, Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at Assabet Valley
- 17.0 Adjourn