

**MICHIGAN COUNCIL FOR EXECUTIVE CHILDREN**  
**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**  
**November 14, 2007**  
**Secondary Complex- Operations Center, Lansing**  
**4:00 – 6:00 pm**

Present: Tina Atkins, President-Elect; Janis Gaubatz, Past-President (via phone); Lucian Parshall, Exec. Director; Laurie Jepsen, Secretary; Denise Smith, MDE Representative; Marliese Temme, SCEC Advisor; Laurie VanderPloeg, Member-at-Large (via phone); Marquita Andion, Member-at-Large; Joni Vernia, Member-at-Large; Wendy Haight, Membership Chair; Joe Walsh, Newsletter Chair; Cindy Bush, SEAC Representative; Lindsey Kwaiser, SCEC President

Absent: Mark Francis, President; Joe Gomez, Treasurer; Greg Lamore, CAN Representative; Wendy Minor, Member At-large; Mary Bradley, SCEC Advisor

Guests: Lauren Paluta, SCEC

- I. Introductions
- II. Approval of Minutes from October 10, 2007 Exec. Board meeting- It was M (Vernia)/S(Borowski)/P to accept the minutes as corrected.
- III. Announcements
  - a. Jim Paris will be joining the MCEC Foundation Board.
- IV. Discussion Items
  - a. Membership Drive- Membership increased this month to 1016, including 679 professional and 222 student memberships. Professional membership will be a future focus for the organization.
  - b. Members at Large-
    - Duties discussed at the summer planning meeting have been accomplished- Committee has been formed for membership recruitment, Volunteers will be coordinated by M. Haight for the conference, and the newsletter is now coordinated by J. Walsh.
    - The following initiatives were suggested: Membership drive focused on PSA special ed. teachers, regular table for CASE
  - c. Newsletter- Deadline 11/30- Topics that need to be covered:
    - Conference topics (Atkins)
    - CASE- NCLB issues (VanderPloeg)
    - SCEC happenings (Temme, Bradley)
    - Hot topics in Michigan- Highly Qualified information (Lamore)
  - d. UP conference- Lamore will talk about the legislative action site on CEC, Tony Thaxton will be reviewing the MAASE website resources, Congressman Stupack is scheduled to attend the UP conference pending scheduling.

- V. Standing Committee Reports
- a. President- Francis is continuing to seek vendors for the conference.
  - b. CAN-
  - c. Executive Director and Treasurer- MASP has requested assistance in maintaining their CEUs.  
It was M(VanderPloeg)/S(Haight)/P that MCEC would coordinate the MASP CEU database. Included in the motion was the request to MASP that we be able to include the MASP membership in our mailing list.  
The Treasurer's report was presented by L. Parshall.  
It was moved (Vernia) seconded (Andion) and passed to remove John Hotchkiss and Kathy Barker from the MCEC CD and add the names of Lucian Parshall, Tina Atkins and Cheryl Borowski to the CD.
  - d. SEAC- Members are asked to give individual input on current issues that were emailed to us from C. Bush.
  - e. SCEC- Members are asked to assist with mock interviews and resume building at the SCEC Snow event on January 26, 2008. This meeting will be held at MSU. Speaker will be at 11:00 and discussion with MCEC members will be at 1:00. Email your interest to Jessica Hester at: [heste1j1@cmich.edu](mailto:heste1j1@cmich.edu)  
SCEC is looking for a Vice President at this time.  
Bracelets are still being sold. Vernia and Walsh volunteered to help sell them.
  - f. CASE- VanderPloeg has submitted a nomination for MCEC for the Exemplary Award for CEC consideration. We were second in the country for membership increase. Laurie has been asked to mentor a couple of other states for membership efforts.
  - g. MCEC Foundation – no report. The Board will be meeting on 12/11
  - h. Conference Committee- Congressman Kildee is scheduled to present, pending scheduling in February.  
Joanne Winkelman and Vince Dean will be attending from MDE, along with staff working with grants.  
Teams from districts are encouraged to attend Wednesday sessions.  
Presenter applications are still being accepted.
  - i. Honors and Awards- Judging will be at EMU on November 27.
- VII. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.

The next meeting: December 10, 2007, Lansing Sheraton, 2:00pm. Conference committee will meet following the Board meeting.

See attached To Do list.....

To Do List:

Task:	Person(s) Responsible:	Timeline:
Make contact w CEC to determine why we are not getting info on membership promotions.	W. Haight	12/10/07
Obtain list of PSA special ed. staff	D. Smith	12/10
Arrange table at MAASE	L. VanderPloeg	12/10
Newsletter deadline	See minutes	11/30
Contact a couple of Directors for SCEC event in January.	VanderPloeg and Parshall	12/20
Send student conference session info to D. Smith	Temme, Bradley, Kwaiser	ASAP