

Math and Science Advisory Council Meeting
December 10, 2021
9 a-12 p

Minutes approved 3/25/2022

1. Call to Order: 9:04.

<i>Glenda Leonard</i>	Mollie Parsons
Tanya Rivers	Dave Dooling
Tammy Gaudet	Ling Faith-Heuertz
Paulo Oemig	Marcia Barton
Leandro Venturina	Khan Pham
.	Christy Krenek (MSB)
a.	Amery Martinez (MSB)
b.	Yanira Vazquez (MSB)
c.	Anita Gonzales (NM MESA)

0. Approval of Agenda – Mollie moved, Leandro seconded. Voted to approve, 9:11.

0. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting (October 1,2021 Minutes). Mollie moved. Marcia seconded. Approved 9:14.

0. MSB presentation (MSB report to PED). Vazquez discussed scope and purpose of New Mexico Mathematics and Science Instructional Scopes as guidance to support instruction rather than directions. Further documents to cover language, social studies, and other areas that touch on math & science. Everyone participating in assessments this year. No DOE waivers.

Discussion of how to deal with education inequities across state. Family income index (SB18) designed to provide support to school systems. Vasquez discussed MSB providing more support to MSAC, including sending updates earlier for study before meetings. Outdoor classrooms bill being introduced.

0. Preparation for Legislative Session: Anita and Ling discussed how to engage legislature, but not as lobbyists (fine line between educating vs. lobbying/advocating), during the short session. Gonzalez said that relationships have to be built year-round.

Even if legislators do not attend all invitations, routine contact makes them familiar with names and terminology so they recognize groups when issues are raised. Facetime during session is difficult; get to know staff who can later get you access. Printed items should be short; post cards or single-page briefs. Request meetings or spot at special events (i.e., STEM Day) as early as possible because they fill up fast. Build community contract lists. Identify committees and which ones to attend. Be aware of redistricting changes. Submit public comments during meetings (register name to be on list; window is limited). Be aware of changing issues, bills, hearings, etc. All members now on interim committees; shift to permanent in January. Be aware of laws and what you may do. Barton: We can educate, not advocate. Extended discussions about how various members have been careful to make clear which voice they use in speaking on issues.

0. Plan for distributing 2021 Report. Critical Issues document reviewed. Barton moves to approve as a foundational document for the coming legislative year. Dooling seconds. Approved.

Discuss outdoor classroom bill. Barton proposes forming a working group on how to present MSAC position to Legislature. Passed. Membership: Marcia, Ling, Mollie. Group will develop draft in next 5 working days for distribution and approval by e-mail. Distribute by Dec. 11; approval by Dec. 24.

Tanya moves to have MSAC members send report to LESC and LFC members that they know or are their representatives and send a personalized note and link to or copy of MSAC report. Approved. Tanya will draft template for members to adjust to their needs. Parson and Krenek will present to northern NM STEM group.

0. Public comment. None.

0. Review Governance Document. Parson proposes tabling until next meeting to save time. Paulo seconds. Passed.

0. Membership Needs. Vazquez says several membership applications from across the state have been received. Recruiting for a computer science specialist and two alternative members. Waiting for more responses before sending recommendations to Secretary.

0. Update from online meeting with Dr. Steinhaus. Parsons said it was a good meeting. He is excited about the work we are doing and that his priorities align with MSAC, including: time at museums and quality learning opportunities there; math and science specialists; Martinez-Yazzie lawsuit is a priority; increasing teacher pay; mental/behavioral health.

Set Jan. 14 for next MSAC meeting.

Sunshines & **Blues**: Like having outside speakers to add fresh viewpoints

11:45: Parsons. Motion to adjourn. Gaudet seconds. Adjourned