



Massachusetts Computer Using Educators

## Promoting New Visions of Teaching & Learning

Regular meeting of the MassCUE Board of Directors Meeting on Friday, October 13, 2006

Walter McKenzie, Vice President; called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M.

Present: Linda Colvin, Ellen Driscoll, Priscilla Kotyk, Walter McKenzie, Lorelle Alessio, Steve Lamarche, Beverly Reber, Ragen Tiliakos, Gaby Richard-Harrington, Linda Allen, Brenda Dubrey and Deborah Donohue

Also Present: Lelia Richardson

Absent: Laurie Keating

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: To accept the minutes dated September 15, 2006 as amended

Linda Allen indicated that she needs more members for the Finance Committee. Ragen volunteered to be on the Finance Committee.

Beverly Reber submitted the following MassCUE SIG Leaders Retreat (September 29 and 30, 2006) report.

### Summary:

the SIG leaders checked in at 3PM and gathered for a meeting from 5 to 6 PM. We did a roundtable activity to get to know each other a little better. This was followed by a discussion on SIG leader responsibilities regarding PDPs. We made some plans for the Conference. SIG leaders had time for sharing and conversation about their SIGs. We decided to discontinue using YahooGroups. I have sent everyone a distribution list and SIG Leaders will become more actively involved in posting to the SIG section of MassCUE's web site.

We enjoyed a cocktail hour followed by dinner. Most attendees were pretty tired and went to their rooms. Everyone had a copy of *Integrating Technology: A Practical Approach* by Kathi and Jim Lengel. They were encouraged to look over the first 3 chapters before the workshop on Saturday.

See Deb's blog entry for her first day assessment. [www.itesig.blogspot.com](http://www.itesig.blogspot.com)

Saturday morning, we gathered in small groups for a leisurely breakfast, which was followed by our first session.

Kathi Lengel, our guest facilitator, focused on the evolution of technology use in the schools and consequently, how we as a group and organization need to evolve in order to meet the needs of our technology-using educators. She started with an inspiring keynote address. She facilitated an activity to get us thinking about the future. We worked in groups of two and prepared wall charts, which I have. Ragen also took pictures of them. We did a gallery walk to share information and put marks next to statements that we agreed with. We had a discussion about the changing role of MassCUE and also about

the SIGs role in support of the greater goals.

I have attached notes that were contributed by Sharon Eempio, Kathi Lengel, and Brenda Dubrey.

Brenda also has an entry at the blogspot link above. These notes provide a quick read which might give you a better feel for the details that were covered at the meeting. Hopefully, the information will help us as we continue to discuss change and growth at our Board meetings.

Beverly Reber presented a PowerPoint presentation to outline MassCue Initiative Grants. The committee members are listed below:

Priscilla Kotyk  
Ed Biggs  
Lorrelle Alessio  
Joan Ciampa

There will be ten seven hundred and fifty dollar grants awarded.

Need to set up a grants Committee. There is a grant scoring rubric. The duties of the Grant Committee include:

- Read and evaluate proposals
- Select the recipients
- Notify the recipients
- Facilitate awarding of the grant money
- Liaison to the web master
- Follow up with the grant recipients to ensure that they meet their obligations to MassCue
- A Board member will be the chairperson and contact person for the RFP

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously  
Voted: to establish a Grants Committee

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously  
Voted: to appoint Bev Reber, Priscilla Kotyk, Linda Allen, Susan Carson, and Joan Ciampa

## Conference Report

Ragen is meeting Monday at hotel to make sure the network is working. There is one blank space on the presentation. There are nine vendors left for the vendor room. Leila just completed a vendor mailing to remind them about their donation for the drawings. Ragen is creating CDs to go with the technology cookbook.

Marco Torres and Alan November were suggested as keynotes for the 2007 conference. It was suggested that the keynote addresses should be placed on the MassCue website as a Podcast.

January 20<sup>th</sup> retreat for conf committee

New SIG for aspiring tech leaders

On Cue for fall 2006 is ready to send out

The tech mailing list is ready

Blog link will be ready for the conference

Web Awards Committee will have criteria in place for conference. An ad will be placed in the conference booklet for the symposium and the Web Award Program

Laurie resigned as President of MassCue.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: to accept Laurie Keating resignation

Brenda Dubrey will investigate and inform us about a memento and gift certificate in concert with the Finance Committee

Lorelle, Beverly, and Gaby are interested in becoming an elected member of the board.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: to appoint Beverly Reber as an elected member of the board.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: Beverly Reber as the Vice President

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: to appoint Gaby Richard-Harrington as the SIG Coordinator

Board professional development- Alan November would like to talk to us about twenty-five years and the future. Lorelle Alessio and Gaby Richard-Harrington will work on developing a retreat in the future.

Regional Meeting of New England ISTE associates is scheduled for October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> in New Hampshire.

The tech directors SIG met on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> in Brockton for a SIF presentation. Massachusetts is purchasing Cognos for data warehousing. The next step is to pursue SIF.

Representative for MassOne grant will be Deb Donohue.

Steve Lamarche volunteered to be on the Policy and Bylaw Committee

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: to pay for registration for board members to attend Christa McAuliffe conference.

It was suggested that the words Grassroot organization be removed from the mission statement. The renaming of the organization will be considered at a future retreat.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: to remove the word grassroots from the mission statement.

Mission Statement:

The mission of MassCUE, an organization of technology-using educators, is to create, share, and support visions of teaching and learning which focuses on uses of technology that enhance the education environment.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: to accept the reorganization of committees and appointments

\*= board member

1. Communications Committee

Walter McKenzie\*  
Lorelle Allessio\*  
Priscilla Kotyk\*  
Lelia Richardson  
Bill Drury  
Monty Hirschler  
Rob Reilly

2. SIG Committee

Bev Reber \*  
Priscilla Kotyk\*  
Gaby Richard-Harrington \*  
Susan Carson  
Chuck Drayton  
Emily Nicodemus  
David Strimple  
Paula Torrielli

3. Finance Committee (new)

Kathy Galvin\*  
Deb Donohue\*  
Steve Lamarche  
Linda Allen

4. Professional Development Committee (new)

Gaby Richard-Harrington \*  
Lorelle Allessio \*

5. Conference Committee

Ragen Tiliakos, Chair  
Diane Adamowicz  
Laurene Belisle  
Marianne Boswell  
Linda Colvin  
Jim D'Attilio  
Jim Demaggio  
Deborah Donohue  
Ellen Driscoll  
Sharon Eempio  
Buzzy Eempio  
Laurie Keating  
Valerie Langille, Program Chair  
David Laroche  
Stephanie Manna  
Cathleen Moran  
Marcy Reed  
Lelia Richardson  
Sr. Carol Skehan  
Paula Torrielli  
Arthur Travis  
Dorothy Wright

6. Pathfinder Committee

Steve Olivo  
Eileen Barnett  
Laurene Belisle  
Linda Colvin  
Chuck Drayton  
Laurie Keating  
Steve Lamarche  
Marcy Reed

7. Policies and Procedures Committee

Deb Donohue \*  
Bev Reber \*  
Linda Allen \*  
Glen Coolong  
Lorelle Allessio  
Steve Lamarche

8. Elections Committee (new)

Brenda Dubrey \*  
Lorelle Allessio

Board members will investigate sponsoring a Gala fundraiser to fund scholarships for educators and students.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously,  
Voted: to increase Lelia's pay to \$36.00/hour retroactive to July 1, 2006 with a \$1.00 an hour increase annually for the next five year.

At 8:35 P.M., on a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously  
Voted: to adjourn

Respectfully submitted

Ellen M. Driscoll