

MINUTES
RESA 7 Regional Advisory Council Meeting
June 16, 2016 at 10:00 am
Marion County at
Muriale's Restaurant

	<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>
Barbour:	Mr. Jeff Woofter	Mr. Eric Ruf
Doddridge:		Mr. Rick Coffman Mr. Jack Bell
Gilmer:	Mr. Gabriel Devono Dr. William Simmons	
Harrison:		Dr. Mark Manchin Mr. Frank Devono, Jr.
Lewis:	Ms. Sylvia McNeish Ms. Theresa McAbee	Dr. Joseph Mace Ms. Grace Tallhamer
Marion:	Mr. Gary Price Mr. Steve Malnick	Mr. Tom Dragich
Monongalia:	Dr. Frank Devono	Dr. Clarence Harvey
Preston:	Mr. Stephen Wotring Mr. Mac Crum	
Randolph:	Ms. Pamela Hewitt	Mr. Bruce Haddix
Taylor:	Ms. Kathy Green	Mr. Richard Teagarden
Tucker:	Dr. Eddie Campbell Ms. Janet Preston	
Upshur:	Mr. Roy Wager	Dr. Greenbrier Almond
Higher Ed:	Dean Gypsy Denzine	
SDE:		Mr. Joe Panetta

Also in attendance:

From RESA 7: Kathy Hypes, Mary Lewis, and Jeovanna Comer

Also: Jeff Wise, Pam Wean, John Keeling and Stacy Bowers (MSES Inc.); Jason Butcher, Mike Green, Donna Peduto, Scott Rotruck (WVSBE); Donna Talerico (Monongalia Co); Mary Shaver, Connie Mundy, Theresa Marsh (Barbour County)

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I. Call to Order

Welcome with Mr. Gary Price, Marion County Superintendent. Mr. Price welcomed everyone to Marion County and acknowledged the work of the RESAs putting on the AEPA Roundtable Sessions in Charleston on June 14, 2016.

II. Agenda Adjustments

Mr. Wotring made a motion to approve the Agenda Adjustments. Mr. Woofter seconded the motion.

III. Reports/Recognition – Executive Director

Speaker:

Ms. Kathy Hypes, RESA 7 Executive Director
Regional Council Recognitions

Ms. Hypes presented plaques to Council representatives leaving the Council this year. Those recognized were Ms. Sylvia McNeish (Lewis Co), Mr. Rick Coffman (Doddridge Co), Mr. Bruce Haddix (Randolph Co), and Dr. Clarence Harvey (Monongalia Co).

Ms. Jeovanna Comer, Director of Professional Learning
Exemplary Personnel Awards

Ms. Comer took time to recognize the Exemplary Service Personnel person of the year for RESA 7. Ms. Mary Shaver, custodian of Kasson Elementary in Barbour County, was presented a plaque and gift. Superintendent Woofter expressed some words of appreciation as did Ms. Marsh, Principal of Kasson, and Ms. Mundy, Director at Barbour County Schools. For more information on this program, please contact Ms. Comer at jlacaria@k12.wv.us or at 304.624.6554 ext. 222.

Ms. Mary Lewis, RESA 7 Regional Safety
New Safety Materials and Updates for FY17

Ms. Lewis explained the need for updated safety materials in our schools given the changing times and demands for more stringent safety protocols and training. For FY17, the RESA 7 Regional Safety Committee has worked diligently to update the emergency color code chart and teacher flip charts. These items will be ordered and distributed in time for the upcoming school year. For more information on these safety efforts, please contact Ms. Lewis at mlshull@k12.wv.us or at 304.624.6554 ext. 221.

Ms. Pam Wean, MSES Consulting, Inc.

Ms. Wean, Project Architect with MSES, explained some offerings available through her company. Referencing some materials on display, she explained an example of a soil issue at MTEC in Marion Co. MSES worked to rebuild the damage. Franklin Elementary is another project where MSES worked with German engineers to use solid wood construction and earned a design award.

Mr. John Keeling also spoke of his work in the counties. His work focuses on liability protection.

Mr. Jeff Wise also thanked the counties for their work. MSES provided gift bags for the Council as a thank-you and also sponsored the Council luncheon. Mr. Wise can be reached at wise@msesinc.com or Pam Wean at pam.w@msesinc.com.

IV. Information

- A. Regional Advisory Council Meeting Dates – Attachment A
- B. Medicaid – Attachment B
- C. Activity Reports – (May 2016) – Attachment C

Agenda – Action

V. Approve the Minutes

- D. Minutes from May 19, 2016 Meeting – Attachment D

Dr. Simmons made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Wager seconded the motion.

VI. Consent Agenda

- E. Budget Adjustments – Attachment E
- F. Payment of Invoices – Attachment F
- G. Treasurer’s Report – Attachment G
- H. Aging Report – Attachment H

Mr. Wotring made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Woofter seconded the motion.

VII. Personnel

- I. Employment – Attachment I
- J. Resignations – Attachment J

Mr. Wager made a motion to approve the Personnel Agenda. Mr. G. Devono seconded the motion.

Mr. G. Devono made a motion to go into Executive Session regarding Personnel. Ms. Preston seconded the motion. Executive Session ended without any action taken.

VIII. Elect New Council Chairperson & Vice Chairperson

Mr. G. Devono nominated Dr. Campbell as Chairperson. Mr. Woofter seconded the motion. Mr. Wager closed the nominations. Dr. Campbell will remain as the Chairperson of the RESA 7 Regional Council.

Dr. F. Devono nominated Mr. G. Devono as Vice-Chairperson. Mr. Wager seconded the motion. Dr. Campbell closed the nominations. Mr. G. Devono will remain as the Vice-Chairperson of the RESA 7 Regional Council.

IX. State Department

- K. State Board Meeting Agenda – Attachment K

Mr. Mike Green and Mr. Scott Rotruck were in attendance to address the Council. Mr. Green remarked on the progress the state is making in aligning technology, curriculum and assessment. Mr. Rotruck will be the new State Board liaison to RESA 7. The Council introduced themselves to Mr. Rotruck. Mr. Rotruck expressed his gratitude to serve as a member of our Council for the upcoming year.

Regarding the budget bill, Mr. Green said that he doesn’t foresee any major cuts that will affect public education.

Mr. Butcher addressed some items under New Business: Policy 2320 was approved as amended; Policy 4110, the attendance policy, was approved; new data collection with a fitness component was placed on comment; Policy 5202 was approved. Clay County submitted a proposed waiver for reimagining instructional time. All similar waivers submitted so far have been approved. Sen. Jackson asked why more have not put in waivers. Snow Belt counties need assistance with reimagining instructional time. Please email Mr. Butcher with any ideas in this area. He also encouraged more counties to submit waivers. Waivers can still be submitted even if the school calendar has already been approved.

XI. WVASA Report

Mr. Price reminded everyone of the Summer Conference June 27-29, 2016 at Canaan Resort in Tucker County.

XII. WVSBA Report

Ms. Preston mentioned the new board member training is completed and lasted 3 days. The next meeting will be in September.

XIII. Council Members Discussion

Ms. McNeish thanked the Council for the plaque. She and Ms. MacAbee distributed some materials. The materials focused on free and reduced lunch information. Furniture from the old Alum Bridge School has been used as well as a school bus to take lunches out to certain areas of the county. Children 18 and under receiving a meal will also receive a book. Wi-Fi is available on the bus to encourage older students to come. The interior of the bus is setup with tables and benches and children eat on the bus.

Dean Denzine extended an invitation to the Council. Her department has decided to do more for social studies teachers to increase collaboration. Last year, they sponsored a free one-day conference for social studies teachers with 50 in attendance that was very successful. All meals were included. Yesterday, June 15, 2015, was the second conference that was again successful. September 18 through October 28, 2016, WVU will be hosting an exhibit with learning activities regarding certain history topics that includes a full

day of professional development for teachers. So far, 900 students are signed up to walk through the exhibit. This is free and grant funded through WVU.

XIV. Next Meeting – August 3, 2016 in Randolph County – Location to be determined

XV. Adjournment

Mr. Woofter made a motion to adjourn. Mr. McCrum seconded the motion.

Ms. Kathy Hypes, Executive Director
Submitted By

Date

Dr. Eddie Campbell, Chairperson
Accepted By

Date

