



## MSCA General Members Quarterly Agenda And Notes

June 1, 2024 9:00 am – 10:30 am

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**Vision Statement:** The Maryland School Counselor Association (MSCA) creates a network of support for current and future school counselors by providing professional development, leadership, outreach, and advocacy through ethical practices. MSCA, in association with the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), empowers all Maryland school counselors to promote every aspect of student success through implementation of the National Model.

**Mission Statement:** The Maryland School Counselor Association (MSCA) advocates for and promotes excellence in the profession of school counseling to support current and future school counselors in fostering the full potential of all students' academic, career, and social/emotional development across all regions of the state.

### OUTCOMES

By the end of the meeting, participants will have:

- Introductions from MSCA members present at the quarterly board meeting
- Reviewed and voted on MSCA budget for 24-25
- Received updates from Elected Board Members, MSDE, Committee Leaders, Regional Representatives

Time	Agenda	Who
	Robert's Rules of Order Cheat Sheet.docx (1).pdf	
9:00-9:05 "5"	Welcome & Introductions, Attendance (This meeting will be recorded) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introductions: If this is your first time here, please drop your full name and email address in the chat</li> </ul>	Dr. Ponce
9:05-9:10 "5"	Review and Approve Minutes last General Body Meeting: April 6, 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Here</a> For the Agenda/Notes</li> <li>• <a href="#">Here</a> for Link to Zoom Recording</li> </ul>	Dr. Ponce
9:10-9:55 "45"	Update from Treasurer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Proposed Budget for 24-25</a></li> </ul>	Ms. Tina Ramirez-Holmes
9:55-10:00 "5"	Update from MSDE	Dr. Christen Fanelli Brigitte Lewis
10:00-10:10 "10"	Update from the President	Dr. Ponce
10:10-10:25 "15"	Update from Elected Board Members Update from Committee Leaders Update from Regional Representatives	All
10:25-10:30 "5"	Closing & Reminders: <a href="#">Click Here Feedback Form</a>  This will be moved to our first meeting in the fall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old Business</li> <li>• New Items</li> </ul>	Dr. Ponce

Executive Board Notes		Speaking
Welcome and Introductions	<p><b>Notetaker today:</b>  <b>Timekeeper:</b> Start 9:01  This meeting will be recorded. Please turn off your camera if you do not want your face to appear in the recording</p>	
Approve Minutes	Minutes have been approved	
President Update <a href="mailto:president@mscaonline.org">president@mscaonline.org</a>	<p><b>Meetings/Events as MSCA President:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>April:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports: Appointed member (attended 1st meeting)</li> <li>○ Ujima Center, Advisory Council Member (attended 1st meeting)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>May:</b> Spring Meeting with MSDE May 2024</li> <li>● <b>June:</b> Council of Educational, Administrative and Supervisory Organizations of Maryland (CEASOM) Board member representing MSCA (Quarterly meetings) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Looking for presenters for Maryland United Leadership Conference <a href="#">Proposal Form Here</a> (MAESP?MASSP)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>July:</b> Voting Delegate for Maryland at the Delegate Assembly ASCA</li> <li>● <b>Monthly:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Conference Committee Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Successful Conference in March, \$14,000 profit</li> <li>■ Conference Committee 25 is up and running and planning</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Executive Board Meeting (May and June, recess until August)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>MSCA Leadership Vacancies:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Racial Equity, Social Justice</li> <li>● Central Region Rep</li> <li>● Web Manager</li> </ul> <p><b>Upcoming Events:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● LDI (9 MSCA executive board/committee leaders attending) July 11th-12th</li> <li>● ASCA Conference July 13-16, 2024:</li> <li>● Meet and Greet at ASCA July 13, 2024, 5-7pm: <a href="#">RSVP Here</a> “<a href="#">MSCA@ASCA Meet and Greet</a>”. <a href="#">Location TBD</a></li> <li>● Fall Retreat for MSCA Leaders: September 14, 2024</li> <li>● Have several presentations at ASCA this summer, if attending, would love to see you at one of my sessions.</li> </ul> <p><b>MSCA Summer Projects as President:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Creating calendar this summer: <a href="#">📅 MSCA Calendar of Events 24-25</a></li> <li>● Creating a <a href="#">MSCA Leadership Handbook</a> to help with onboarding of MSCA leaders.</li> <li>● Redesign of our Website: Working to secure new company (looking at GlueUp) not finalized yet</li> <li>● Reviving the Emerging Leaders program: working with Wes Cooper to get the up and running again, can use some help with this.</li> </ul>	YES
President-Elect Update <a href="mailto:presidentelect@mscaonline.org">presidentelect@mscaonline.org</a>	We need to create a recognition committee, please reach out to Jessica for more information. This is a one hour a month commitment.	No
Treasurer Update <a href="mailto:treasurer@mscaonline.org">treasurer@mscaonline.org</a>	Discussion on Proposed Budget: <a href="#">📄 MSCA Annual Budgets.xlsx</a>  Balances as of 6/1/24 M&T: \$62,687.63 → This will increase once we get more checks from NCYI Paypal: 3,874.39	YES
Elementary VP, Tracey Spain <a href="mailto:elementaryvp@mscaonline.org">elementaryvp@mscaonline.org</a>	No updates	No
Middle School VP, Dr. Desiree' V. Moore <a href="mailto:middlevp@mscaonline.org">middlevp@mscaonline.org</a>	No updates	No
High School VP, Marian Hoyt <a href="mailto:secondaryvp@mscaonline.org">secondaryvp@mscaonline.org</a>	Newly re-elected, will begin programming soon	No


Post-Secondary VP, Dr. Atiya Smith <a href="mailto:postsecondaryvp@mscaonline.org">postsecondaryvp@mscaonline.org</a>	No updates	No
Immediate Past President, Dr. Nikki Ham <a href="mailto:pastpresident@mscaonline.org">pastpresident@mscaonline.org</a>	<a href="#">Election information update</a> <a href="#">By-Law information update</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of the recommended MSCA By Law Changes to be voted started Jun 2, 2024 to Jun 16, 2024</li> </ul>	Yes via <a href="#">Video Update</a>

## MSDE Updates

<p><b>Christen Fanelli, Ph.D. (She/Her)</b> Manager, Student Services and School Counseling; Division of Student Support, Academic Enrichment, and Educational Policy</p> <p><b>Brigitte Lewis, M.Ed (She/Her)</b> Coordinator, School Counseling &amp; Title IV, Part A; Division of Student Support, Academic Enrichment, and Educational Policy</p>	Partner with MSCA, met for spring meeting a few weeks ago, we identified areas to support/collaborate together with MSCA, biggest areas of concern is FAFSA right now for school counselors
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Committee Chairperson's Report and Meeting Notes	Speaking (Yes/No)
<b>Advocacy &amp; Legislative</b> Holly Kleiderlein, <p>Strategy meeting with Public Policy Partners on June 20th. We'll be mapping out how to advocate before the Accountability and Implementation Board (AIB) that monitors Blueprint directives, MSDE, local Boards of Education, and the state legislature. I anticipate another Day at the Capitol for 2024-2025 (Monday, February 3, 2025).</p>	No
<b>Ethics</b> Dr. Gayle M. Cicero <p>No updates</p>	No
<b>Membership</b> Bill Marchione <p>Current Membership Numbers, Membership Drive for the fall.</p>	yes
<b>Mentoring</b> Kathleen Klecan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working to provide a book club on <a href="#">Atlas of the Heart</a> to promote connection and engagement</li> <li>• Information to go out in early August about the mentoring program (and possibly book club)</li> <li>• For the 2024-2025 year, the committee will be meeting on the third Thursday of each month from 7 pm to 8 pm at a consistent link - <a href="https://meet.google.com/cte-estx-egr">meet.google.com/cte-estx-egr</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Next Meeting - July 18th</li> <li>○ Upcoming Meetings for 2024 - August 15th, September 19th, October 17th, November 21st, December 19th</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	No
<b>Merchandise</b> Sharon Winston <p>No updates at this time</p>	No
<b>Professional Development</b> Xiomara Medina <p>Transition to new committee chair, Dr. Gail Martinez-Waters (SC in Anne Arundel). We will work together over the summer to recruit committee members and finalize PD programming and committee meetings for the 24-25 school year.</p>	No
<b>Public Relations,</b> Richard Scott <p>No updates.</p>	No

<b>Racial Equity, Social Justice</b> VACANT	This position is currently vacant. Please communicate with Dr. Ponce if you have a potential candidate in mind.	No
<b>Social Media</b> Allie Downey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facebook: Last Mtg (April):1,737 ; currently, 1,738</li> <li>Instagram (msca_online): Last Mtg (April.) 695; currently, 706</li> <li>Twitter (@MSCA_MD): Last Mtg (April) 2,861; currently, 2,849</li> </ul>	no
<b>Emerging Leaders</b> Wes Cooper	Dr. Ponce appointed Wes Cooper (SC in Dorchester County) to this position in May 2024. He will work with Dr. Ponce to revive this amazing program for the 24-25 year.	No

Regional Representative Report and Meeting Notes		Speaking (Yes/No)
<b>Central Region,</b> Temi Unonu	No updates	No
<b>Independent Schools,</b> Alexis Thompson, Shamelle Yemofio	No updates	No
<b>Northern Region,</b> Nicola Fagan	<p>Potential 4-week virtual summer book club for MSCA members. <a href="#">Book Club Flyer to share</a></p> <p> Book Club (1).pdf</p> <p>Dates TBD - dependent on interest and counselors' availability.</p>	No
<b>Southern Region,</b> Jackie Cheaves	No updates	No
<b>Western Region,</b> Dr. Laura Jones	<p>As discussed at the last meeting, Western Region and Eastern Region are planning a mini-conference, hopefully occur in the Fall. We are looking at possible places like Rocky Gap. We are hoping to get speakers to offer similar breakout sessions in the both regions.</p> <p>We did NOT use our \$500 from last year and wanted to combine it with the next year's allotment to use for this mini-conference.</p>	No
<b>Eastern Region:</b> Brad Plutschak	<p>As discussed at the last meeting, planning has started for an event for counselors in the Eastern Region and beyond. This will hopefully occur in the Fall at Chesapeake College. Our hope is to partner with the Western Region and offer similar breakout sessions/speakers in the East and West. Basically, the breakout sessions would be similar but presented by people in/around the region.</p> <p>Could we be allotted some additional funds for the Eastern and Western Region for these two events? Could our 2023-2024 money (\$500) be carried over to next year's amount and some additional funds be added? Is \$5000 total a possibility for each event (\$1000 from \$500 23/24 and \$500 24/25, and \$4000 additional 24/25)? The entire State would be able to choose which of the two they would like to attend. This could be used to secure the venue, feed the counselors at the event, and provide a stipend for the presenters/speakers.</p>	No

Unfinished and New Business		Who is Speaking - Follow-Up
<b>Unfinished Business</b>	Notes from Meeting Chat- Our supervisor in AA county recently shared that some of the supervisors (Montgomery County and Prince Georges') county are trying to work to do	What is the follow up here?

	some cross-county professional development for school counselors.(T.Spain)	
<b>Unfinished Business</b>	MCA & MSCA completed a professional development focusing on the intersection of School Counseling and Mental Health Therapy.	What is the follow up here?
<b>Unfinished Business</b>	Local counselors who are published sharing their books in book club/book study/book discussion (Potential for working with NCYI)	What is the follow up here?

**Meeting Adjourned at 10:22**

<b>ATTENDEES</b>		
Maureen Ponce	Kathleen Klecan	Erin Travers
Jackie Cheaves	Desiree Moore'	Adrienne Jenkins
Christen Fanelli	Brigiette Lewis	Charlain Bailey
Tina Ramirez-Holmes	Sharon Winston	Neal Irving
Xiomara Medina	Brad Plutschak	
Laura Jones	Bill Marchione	
Marian Hoyt		

