

MEAC Board of Directors Meeting		Date: July 8, 2020	
		Time Convened: 12:05pm PT, 1:05pm MT, 2:05pm CT, 3:05pm ET	
		Time Adjourned: 5:20pm PT, 6:20pm MT, 7:20pm CT, 8:20pm ET	
		Type of Meeting: Screen Sharing and Audio via Zoom Meeting ID:2906463019	
Attendees (Present Yes/No):			
Board Members			
Aimee Eden	yes	Karen Ehrlich	yes
Katie Krebs	yes	Safiya McCarter	yes
Kristi Ridd-Young	yes	Scottie Buehler	yes
Administrative Staff			
Rachael Bommarito	yes	Amari Fauna	yes
Jessica Baynes	no	Rachel Ornstein	yes
Guests: Claudia Breglia, CCSM ARC			
Notes taken by: Rachael Bommarito and Marissa Delgado Ohoyo			

Minutes

Agenda Item: E & A Announcement	Presenter: Katie Krebs Cassandra Jah	
Documents: none		
Discussion:	MEAC is seeking to become a more equitable and inclusive organization. We are engaging in individual work – self-study, presenting to the Board. As a way to deepen that work, the Equity and Access Committee is offering office hours during the Committee’s regularly scheduled meeting time on the 1 st Monday of every month from 3:30-4:30pm Eastern. More information about how to participate in those office hours will be forthcoming.	
Conclusions: none		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓		
Change to P+P?	Change to Handbook?	Notify public or schools?

Agenda Item: Reminder: USDE Analyst attending August Meeting	Presenter: Amari Fauna	
Documents:		
Discussion:	An analyst from USDE will be attending the August 5, 2020 meeting of the MEAC Board of Directors.	
Conclusions:		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓		
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Agenda Item:	Consent Agenda		Presenter:	N/A	
Documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2020-06-03 BOD Meeting Minutes DRAFT • BOARD OF DIRECTORS BALLOT 2020 • BudgetvsActualsFY2019-2020-FY20PL • July 2020 School Status Report • July and August 2020 Independent Board Review Assignments • June 2020 Director of Accreditation Report • June 2020 MEAC Executive Director Report • MLL Addendum 				
Discussion:	<p>Thank you, Trixi, for your work building relationships and having conversations with potential volunteers. Has MLL expressed interest in seeking accreditation? MEAC will follow up with the new owners.</p>				
Conclusions:	<p>Cassandra Jah moves to accept the consent agenda. Abigail Reese seconds. Discussion – see above. Recused: 0 Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 2 Motion passes.</p>				
Action Items			Person Responsible	Deadline	
✓					
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Agenda Item:	Accreditation Decision-making Training		Presenter:	Amari Fauna	
Documents:	CCSM 2020 IA BOD Decision Meeting PPT				
Discussion:	Amari orients the Board to the decision-making process, particularly as related to comprehensive accreditation decisions following an initial accreditation or reaccreditation process.				
Conclusions:					
Action Items			Person Responsible	Deadline	
✓					
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Agenda Item:	Accreditation: CCSM Initial Accreditation		Presenter:	Claudia Breglia (ARC), Aimee Eden (ARC), Cassandra Jah (IBR), Abigail Reese (IBR)	
Documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCSM 2020 IA Final ARC Report • CCSM 2020 IA IBR Report • CCSM 2020 IA BOD Decision Notetaking Template • CCSM 2020 IA BOD Decision Meeting PPT 				

Discussion:	Board discusses. Accreditation Coordinator takes notes on CCSM 2020 IA BOD Decision Notetaking Template. Safiya McCarter departs the meeting prior to a vote.		
Conclusions:	Gina Gerboth moves to accept the Final ARC Report and IBR Report with the modifications described in the tables of the CCSM 2020 IA BOD Decision Notetaking Template. Karen Ehrlich seconds. Recusals: 2, Scottie Buehler (new Board member not voting on accreditation decisions yet), Aimee Eden (ARC member) Absent: Safiya McCarter Abstentions: 0 Oppositions: 0 Outcome: Motion Passes		
	Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Notification to school ✓ Update to MEAC Directory, MEAC Website, USDE 	Rachael Bommarito Amari Fauna	7/22/20
Change to P+P? no	Change to Handbook? no	Notify public or schools? yes	

Agenda Item:	Accreditation: SWTC Reaccreditation	Presenter:	Shira Jacobs (ARC), Katie Krebs (IBR), Karen Ehrlich (IBR)
Documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SWTC 2020-04-23 Final RA ARC Report • SWTC 2020-06-30 IBR RA Report • SWTC 2020 RA BOD Decision Meeting PPT • SWTC 2020 RA BOD Decision Notetaking Template 		
Discussion:	Board discusses. Accreditation Coordinator takes notes on SWTC 2020 RA BOD Decision Notetaking Template. Gina Gerboth and Scottie Buehler depart the meeting before a vote.		
Conclusions:	Cassandra Jah moves to accept the Final ARC Report and IBR Report with the modifications described in the tables of the SWTC 2020 RA BOD Decision Notetaking Template. Kristi Ridd-Young seconds. Recused: 0 Absent: Safiya McCarter, Gina Gerboth, Scottie Buehler Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion passes		
	Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Notification to school ✓ Updates to MEAC Directory, MEAC Website, USDE 	Marissa Delgado Ohoyo Amari Fauna	7/22/20
Change to P+P? no	Change to Handbook? no	Notify public or schools? yes	

Agenda Item:	Accreditation: NMI 2020-03-12 Compliance Report	Presenter:	Rachael Bommarito
Documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NMI 2020-03-12 CR Staff & IBR Report 		
Discussion:	<p>Kristi Ridd-Young departs the meeting. Rachael Bommarito provided staff support for the IBR review of NMI 2020-03-12 CR. As both IBRs, Kristi Ridd-Young and Gina Gerboth, have departed the meeting, Rachael provides an overview of the IBR Report. As always, the Board reviewed the written IBR report in preparation for the meeting and discusses it now. Board does not have any questions for IBRs.</p>		
Conclusions:	<p>Cassandra Jah moves to accept the IBR recommendation. Karen Ehrlich seconds. Discussion: Monitoring report due date of three months from notification does not allow the school sufficient time to address inadequacies. Cassandra withdraws the motion. Karen Ehrlich moves to accept the IBR recommendation with one change – that the monitoring report be due one year from notification instead of three months from notification. Cassandra Jah seconds. Recused: none Absent: Safiya McCarter, Gina Gerboth, Scottie Buehler, Kristi Ridd-Young Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion passes.</p>		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
✓ Notification to school		Rachael Bommarito	7/22/20
Change to P+P? no	Change to Handbook? no	Notify public or schools? yes	

Agenda Item:	Accreditation: NMI Probation Decision	Presenter:	Rachael Bommarito
Documents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NMI 2020-07 Probation Decision Staff Report 		
Discussion:	<p>Board discusses staff report. Following the remediation of benchmark III.A5 (see agenda item NMI 2020-03-12 Compliance Report above), NMI has now demonstrated compliance with all MEAC benchmarks and made corrections/improvements to the weaknesses and deficiencies identified by MEAC during the most recent reaccreditation process. Per MEAC Policy III.F.2, “If the areas of weakness, deficiency, and/or non-compliance are corrected timely, MEAC will remove the probationary status from the grant of accreditation” (p. 31).</p>		
Conclusions:	<p>Karen moves to remove the probationary status from NMI’s grant of accreditation. Katie Krebs seconds. Recused: 0 Absent: Safiya McCarter, Gina Gerboth, Scottie Buehler, Kristi Ridd-Young</p>		

Opposed: 0 Abstaining: 0 Motion passes.		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓ Notification to school ✓ Update MEAC Directory, MEAC Website, USDE	Rachael Bommarito Amari Fauna	7/22/20
Change to P+P? no	Change to Handbook? no	Notify public or schools? yes

Agenda Item: Welcome Rachel Ornstein Development and Fundraising Director	Presenter: Rachel Ornstein	
Documents:	• Rachel Ornstein Introduction.PPT	
Discussion:	Due to time limitations, this item will be moved to a future agenda.	
Conclusions:		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
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Agenda Item: Accreditation Policy Updates	Presenter: Amari Fauna	
Documents:	• DRAFT Section G Policies and Procedures	
Discussion:	All remaining Board members, except Cassaundra Jah, depart the meeting as it has gone significantly over the scheduled time. Amari presents updates to the MEAC Accreditation Handbook, Section G: Policies and Procedures. Amari's presentation, along with comments and questions from Trixi and Cassaundra, is recorded (audio and screenshare) and will be distributed to the full MEAC Board. A Board decision on adopting the P&P updates will be scheduled for a later date.	
Conclusions:		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓ Distribute recording of Amari's presentation to the Board ✓ Create and distribute a ballot and electronic voting mechanism	Amari Amari and Cassaundra	
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Agenda Item: Future Meeting Dates	Presenter: N/A	
Documents:		
Discussion:		
Conclusions: <u>Board of Directors</u> July 8, 2020 August 5, 2020 September 9, 2020 October 'in-person' 8-10 <u>Executive Committee</u>		

September 2, 2020		
November 2, 2020		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
✓		
Change to P+P?	Change to Handbook?	Notify public or schools?