

MSBO School Finance Committee Minutes

Online Zoom Meeting

March 17, 2023

The meeting opened at 9:30am. Michael Klosowski, President, giving a welcome.

Legislative Update - Jennifer Smith, MASH:

- Budget hearings continue. Nothing from the House and Senate in terms of their budgets.
- 3rd Grade Retention is on its way to the Governor and she should sign it.
- Bill to expand sinking fund allowable expenses for buses and vehicles. This bill may have the chance for immediate effect.
- Bill to repeal PA 54 came out of the committee and this may be seen on the floor next week.
- The immediate effect date is still unknown which could impact a lot of bills since many bills are not granted immediate effect.

GASB Update: Focus on GASB 96 – William Tucker, Maner Costerisan:

- Just like GASB 87 but for technology subscriptions.
- Starts with fiscal years ending June 2023.
- There is a short-term exclusion so a year-to-year contract can be excluded from this GASB.
- The business office will want to discuss contracts with their technology department and curriculum department.
- Accounting for these items are very similar to GASB 87
 - Slideshow has an example of the accounting entries
- Talked about GASB 91 and GASB 94. These statements most likely are not relevant to most schools.
- Compensated absence (GASB 101) were defined more to include termination benefits. It allows for the districts to show just the net amount instead of the increase and decrease from the start of the year.

Resource Allocation Reviews- Kevin Walters, MDE

- Resource Allocation Review (RAR) is starting to happen as schools are starting to deal with this.
- Works with the MICIP process
 - If there are any resource inequities, the district needs to address the inequity
- Program and Financial sides within the audit are becoming more like one.
- This fits in with the increased transparency of the ESSER funds (dashboard and other things).

MSBO Update – Bob Dwan and Jason Helsen, MSBO

- PA 152 Survey results were shared
- MSBO 2023-24 schedules are in the planning stage.
- Annual Conference updated was presented
- Section 97 was discussed regarding allowable expenses.

Roundtable discussion was offered.

Next meeting will be on May 19, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

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