1. Welcome & Introduction

   Members present:


2. Approve minutes from October – Motion Hustek – seconded by Couto. Minutes approved.

3. Nicholson – shared information on FERPA, CIPA, COPPA as it relates Amazon Echo, Dot, Google Home, etc.

4. Pietro Semifero – MDE - Assessment and Accountability
   a. Window is still open for testing until February 1, 2019
   b. Check audio boxes and download the updated TSM
   c. After February 1, WIDA will start and running for seven weeks
   d. If your account is expired, you will need to make your account current
   e. M-Step will start in April. For 8th grade will be on paper
   f. Legislation related to accountability – New administration but nothing new
   g. In 2020, students may be held back if not at third grade reading level but it may be reconsidered
   h. Answers on ACT Work Keys accommodated materials:
      i. The flashdrives are USB not USB-C? That’s right. USB (no C). USB size – 512MB
      ii. Will the software to play the audio require admin rights on the computers the students are using? No, but they do require a user id and password which will be sent with the USBs. USB size is 512MB. Audio File Size is 192 KBS (stereo)
5. Erik Drake - REMC
   a. SPOT news. Spot has a whole new website with this year’s device purchasing forecast. It will launch on Monday, January 28.
   b. On Monday, forecasting will be available. It will be available for two weeks.
   c. Then the forecasting committee reconvenes and sends them out to vendors. Then they review and publish.
   d. Purchase opens in April.
   e. Remcsave.org and then there will be a link to SPOT.
   f. Supplies, technology, and furniture have a lot of new products including Maker furniture and robots. Computer monitors have been brought back.
   g. Will be at MACUL and MSBO with a booth for more information.

6. Mark Smith – MACUL
   b. Also many more tech workshops on Wednesday. Other sessions for administrators and teachers on Thursday and Friday.
   c. Teach Wonder partnership - $125 for course with robot. Earn 13 SCECHs to take the program. Another program too. Only available through MACUL. Go to https://macul.org/events/teach_wonder/ for more information.
   d. Board nominations opened up yesterday at www.macul.org.
   e. Alexa post for additional information - https://techhelpful.blogspot.com/2019/01/hey-alexa-do-you-want-to-come-to-my.html?fbclid=IwAR3-CwOHUS9xfVboABmKjW241-xw_eyvl9Bkq3mS8zUNumrGi0xO3G-5hSM

7. Rick Webb – Update on E-rate from Joseph Polasek
   a. Funding for 2018 – over 90% approved.
   b. $5 million construction fund that was passed before Christmas break – waiting for wording to be approved before rolling out. Could give you another 10% match.
   c. Amortization has been on hold because of Federal shutdown.
   d. Nothing on Category 2 – no explanation of the spending. If not spending it will be gone.
   e. Email information from Joseph Polasek – polasekj3@michigan.gov

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce the allocation of $5 million for the purposes of leveraging additional dollars through the federal E-Rate program for special construction builds upgrading district, intermediate school district (ISD), public school academy (PSA), and library broadband connections. Using these funds, eligible applicants and consortia groups could leverage up to an additional 10% in E-Rate discount award with a dollar-for-dollar match in state funding. Minimum target speeds, as defined in the Second Modernization Order of 2014, should be 100 megabits per second (Mbps) per 1000 students with plans to support scalability reaching 1 gigabit per second (Gbps) per student.

Please note that the availability of funds does not, as of this writing, mean that the grant process has been approved by USAC and the FCC (partial Gov’t Shutdown aside, this takes time). I will update the field as information becomes available, but if an applicant wishes to tap these as yet unavailable funds should they become available for FY 19...

- **Check/select YES on the Form 471** when prompted to answer the question “Is there a state or tribal match available for your E-Rate special construction funding request?”. Checking this box will not put the application for funding in jeopardy, but will trigger a more robust PIA review. The question should automatically populate if the FRN includes special construction.

Upcoming Meetings – Mark Your Calendar

- MACUL Conference – March 20-22 – Cobo Center, Detroit
- MSBO Annual Conference – April 30- May 2 – Amway Grand Plaza Hotel/DeVos Place – Registration opens in February 2019

Future MSBO Technology Meeting Dates

- 2/28/19
- 3/28/19
- 4/25/19
- 5/23/19
- 6/27/19

Trudell motions to end the meeting. Seconded by Levins. M/C Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Kopkau, MSBO