



## UPPER PENINSULA SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIALS

UPSBO Spring Meeting  
April 23, 2024

Amway Grand Hotel  
Grand Rapids, MI

Present: Anthony Bertucci - Marquette-Alger RESA; Tom Sturos - Copper Country ISD; Jason Auel - Copper Country ISD; Lisa Sandvik - EUPISD; Stef Lubben - EUPISD; Tracy McCord - EUPISD; Kristie Anderson - EUPISD; Yvonne McConkey - EUPISD; Breann Eckerle - EUPISD; Nicole Eilola - EUPISD; Maddy St. Peter - EUPISD; Amanda Nolan - EUPISD; Jamie Myers - EUPISD; Chris Valima - Marquette-Alger RESA; Hailey Smith - Marquette-Alger RESA; Beth Krznarich - Marquette-Alger RESA; Amy Finkbeiner - Gwinn Area Community Schools; Tammy Gibson - Gogebic Ontonagon ISD; Patty Ollila - Gogebic Ontonagon ISD; Alan Tulppo - Gogebic Ontonagon ISD; Geoff Lasich - Marquette Area Public Schools; Michelle LaMere - Negaunee Public Schools; Dawn Gillett - Consolidated Community Schools; Michelle VanSloten - Consolidated Community Schools; Kris Hill - Detour Area Schools; Cheri Bush - Pickford Public Schools; Tracy Rye - Pickford Public Schools

President Anthony Bertucci called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes of the October 13, 2023 meeting were read. Motion by Jason Auel, support by Chris Valima to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read. Motion by Tammy Gibson, support by Amy Finkbeiner to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Communications: none to report

Officers for 2023-24:

President: Anthony Bertucci - MARESA  
President-Elect: Anthony Bertucci - MARESA  
Immediate Past President: Jason Auel - CCISD  
Secretary/Treasurer: Lisa Sandvik - EUPISD  
Director: Geoff Lasich – Marquette Area Public Schools  
Director: Kris Hill - Detour Area Schools

## Election of Officers for 2024-25

Motion was made by Amy Finkbeiner to keep the 2023-24 officers the same for the 2024-25 year, except for the Kris Hill Director position. Kristie Anderson from the EUPISD was nominated for that Director position, support by Tom Sturos. Motion carried. Officers for 2024-25 will be as follows:

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## Old Business:

Anthony Bertucci reminded attendees of the scholarships that are available.

### Scholarships available:

- Leadership (3 - \$500)
- Northern Finance (1 - \$150)
- Financial Strategies (1 - \$150)
- Business Manager/CPA Workshop (1 - \$150)
- Business Manager Academy (2 - \$500)
- Any conference/meeting (\$1,000 total among everyone for any conference)
- UPSBO Annual Fall Conference Attendance
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### UPSBO Fall Conference Feedback

We are trying to appeal to a broader audience (Payroll, Human Resources, etc.) by mixing up the speakers & adding additional topics/presentations. Please share any ideas on topics/speakers that you may have with any of the officers.

### MSBO Annual Conference Topics

Please be sure to share ideas on topics and also on presenters.

## New Business: none to report

## Round Table:

Jason Auel congratulated Tony Bertucci on his recent MSBO Board election win. It is awesome to have a UP representative on the MSBO Board!

Tom Sturos began a discussion on the accounting software changes that are coming up now that School Finance is going away. What are people using & what are the pros and cons? Others shared that they like Schools Open (they have good customer service) & others shared that they don't like Skyward.

Chris Valima began a discussion regarding the scholarships and made a motion to add MSBO certification track assistance of \$1,000 to the list of available scholarships. This would be done on a first come, first served reimbursement basis. Support by Beth Krznarich. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Tony Bertucci, support by Lisa Sandvik. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.