

SWSA Membership Meeting

February 11, 2020

13780 Hope St., Brookfield (Elmbrook District Offices)

SWSA advocates for the benefit of all students by driving education policies supporting strong public schools to ensure world class practices, economic vitality, and community well-being.

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1. Welcome & Introductions

Mark Hansen & Larry Dux, Co-Chairs

2. Administrative (7:30-7:35)

Terri Phillips, Executive Director

- a. Contact information sheet; please update

3. Legislative Updates (7:35-8:30)

Ramie Zelenkova (on phone)

- a. Discussion starting with legislation other than Governor Evers' proposal including (but not limited to) the following.
- i. Hearing in Assembly Education Committee scheduled for 2/12/2020
 - Testimony will heard (until 1:00 p.m.) on a series of bills relating to American Indian Studies including:
 - a. [AB105](#)-model academic standards for American Indian studies
 - b. [AB106](#)-Information materials related to a school board's obligation to provide instruction on American Indians
 - c. [AB107](#)- the American Studies requirement for teacher licensure
 - d. [AB109](#)-required instruction in American Studies in elementary and HS
 - e. (note... there is an AB108 that is NOT receiving a hearing that requires private schools participating in a parental choice pgm. and independent charter school to provide instruction in American Indian history)
 - The Assembly Education Committee will then hear testimony (after 1:00 p.m.) on a series of relating to dyslexia and reading including:
 - a. [AB603](#)-publishing Foundations of Reading test scores
 - b. [AB604](#)-programs to identify and address pupils with dyslexia in public schools
 - c. [AB632](#)-assessments to evaluate reading readiness
 - d. [AB635](#)- requiring each CESA to employ a dyslexia specialist
 - b. Other open legislation (Ramie): Please reference the [SWSA Bill Tracker](#)
 - c. **SPECIAL GUEST FROM 7:45-8:00 A.M. Brian Pahnke, State Budget Director**, will be joining SWSA via phone to walk through the Governor's proposal. Reference this google doc for all support documentation and SWSA Talking Points: [SWSA Talking Points and Support Documentation for Governor's Proposal](#)
 - d. Governor Evers Proposal
 - i. District sharing:
 - How are you connecting with your legislators to discuss this proposal?
 - What questions do you still have about the impact on your district?
 - What else can SWSA do to support your advocacy work?
 - e. AASA Update- Deb Kerr (if available)
 - f. District updates: members sharing discussions and/or meetings with their legislators

4. Preparation for Speaker Vos visit on March 10, 2020 (8:30-9:00) Terri Phillips & Full SWSA membership

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Speaker Robin Vos will be joining the SWSA on March 10, 2020. In preparation for the meeting with the speaker, we will facilitate a conversation about what questions we should pose.

5. Upcoming Meetings

Executive Committee	February 25, 2020	8:00-9:30 a.m.
Membership Meeting	March 10, 2020	7:30-9:00 a.m.

The current calendar can be found on our website at www.schoolsalliance.com.

Upcoming Guest Speakers to support member districts building capacity for legislative advocacy:

- **March 10, 2020-** Speaker Robin Vos
- **April 21, 2020-** Gavin Luter, UniverCity Alliance- connects education, service and research activities across UW-Madison with cities, furthering the practice of sustainability. I invited Gavin to join our April meeting to share their research and promote a conversation about how school districts can benefit with a partnership with the UniverCity Alliance.
- **May 12, 2020-** DPI leadership (Jennifer Kammerud, Dee Pettack and Bob Soldner) joining SWSA to discuss budget priorities for the 2021-2023 biennial budget.
- **June/July 2020-** Developing messaging re: budget priorities and creating issue toolkits to be used for next biennial budget cycle
- **August 2020-** no scheduled meeting at this time
- **September or October 2020-** lobbyist panel. Lobbyists and leaders from SAA, WASB, WiRSA, WPEN, SWSA, MPS to share best practice for you and your team as you interact and engage with your legislators