

January 12, 2019 Cancelled Meeting Minutes and Reports Missouri Council for the Social Studies

Priorities:

#1: Raffle Items for Conference: I know that you all are well networked and this is a great opportunity for those organizations that you are connected with to share their swag with social studies folks. Please bring all items to the conference where we will have a table setup.

#2: Vote on Google Form:

There are two items to vote on. The first is the purchase of t-shirts. Tina has cleared spending \$800 for the purchase of 100 shirts at \$8 a piece. I would say that we sell them for \$12 each to ensure that we recover these costs (this is a carryover from October).

The second item is providing authorizing us to sign a contract with the Missouri History Museum for the 2020 Conference--see information below (also a carryover from October).

Google Form Link: <https://goo.gl/forms/z6Xvg4f3nqBU6uhK2>

Vote: All Items unanimous!

#3: VP Publications Vacancy and Board Elections/Vacancies:

We are going to need somebody and there were no candidates. Please let Brian know if you are interested in moving into this spot, or if you know of somebody with interest in doing so. I will look at those who ran for positions first, then look outside if necessary. Thanks, Eric for all that you have done in this role for two years.

Outside of this, there will be some shifts on the board after the election. I will evaluate all position vacancies after the election results are finalized, then work to fill them with the folks that did not win their respective elections. My focus will be on putting people in the positions where their strengths can contribute at the highest level for our organization.

#4: Read through October Minutes and the Updates Below

Please read through the October minutes. We had a very small group at that meeting, so there is a lot of updating to do for many of us. Most of this business will be carried forward to the February meeting.

The October meeting minutes can be found here:

https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/7dc306_93f4b96318c045219b4f23f47e6c83aa.pdf

#5: Thank YOU for all that you do for the organization, social studies educators, and your students. Your efforts do not go unnoticed!

Membership Report (Rhett):

- 500 Educators...I believe the decrease is due to the duplicity of applications.
- 76 new members since September 1, 2018
- 186 new members since January 1, 2018
- Email was sent out to all new members who enrolled in the 4th quarter
- Email was sent out to all members reminding them of the conference and MCSS/RPDC Partnership
- Seven RPDCs throughout the state have been really enthusiastic about this partnerships and have reached out to us and committed to workshops ran by MCSS.
 - Presentation materials have been sent out to MCSS leadership to use.
 - Presenters are contacted throughout the state to lead the workshops.
 - [RPDC/MCSS Roster Grid](#)

Nationals Update: Derek will update us at February Meeting

Teacher of the Year (from Nancy):

The TOY committee picked the first candidate, Micheal McDaniel, as the TOY. We had a difficult time getting people to nominate (and even extended the deadline for a few weeks); however I believe the person we chose is highly qualified and recommended. We have given him until the 15th to finish the application.

DESE Report (Dixie):

At DESE we are continuing with EOC development for Government and the optional American History assessments. We are also beginning some work on some elementary assessment supports for social studies which would be locally used and managed and not tied to state-wide accountability formulas. The goal is to provide resources for teachers and to lay the foundation for reading, writing and critical thinking in elementary social studies teaching and learning. I will keep the MCSS group posted and have some examples to share the next time we meet.

The state Holocaust Education and Awareness Commission is seeking input and info from Missouri teachers. I serve as the DESE representative for that Commission. As they work to rebuild in the next few months, I will be reaching out through MCSS for ideas and support for their important work. I think there might be a mutually advantageous partnership in this endeavor.

Legislative Report (Erin):

- State News:
 - The new legislative session in Missouri convened on Wednesday, January 3rd at noon. While things are very early in the session you call follow all the action on the House and Senate floor here: [Missouri Legislative Bill Tracker](#).

- There doesn't appear to be anything specifically on the Social Studies radar currently but I will be checking frequently for anything that might be headed our way to be aware of.
- Federal News:
 - President Trump has already outlined the budget he is preparing for FY2019 and information about its impact on education can be found here: [FY2019 Education Budget Information](#)
 - NCSS has prepared a list of talking points for Congressional visits or just to help keep members informed about the important issues at the federal level: [NCSS Talking Points](#)
 - NCSS has also updated/revamped their positions page which you can find here: [NCSS Positions](#). While there have been no changes in their position, NCSS attempted to make their positions more user friendly and accessible to members.
- Legislative Resource of the Quarter:
 - The Center for Legislative Archives, a branch of the National Archives, is continually adding lessons and activities for teaching the Constitution and Civics Education through documents. They have also added an app, an ebook, warm-ups, and political cartoons to support your teaching both inside and outside the classroom. Check out what they have to offer!
 - [Center for Legislative Archives](#)

University Liaison Report (Jeff Smith):

2020 Conference (from Quentin)--First Priority for February Meeting:

History Museum:

The history museum has on the calendar but this is what they sent to me back in November:

From history museum:

Feb. 21 and 22, 2020 are already in our calendar as Tami indicated in an earlier email.

I will follow up with you in the new year with a Memorandum of Understanding that will outline the agreements for the complimentary route that I'll have you/your board sign. There will also be several pieces of logistical information that we will need to work out that mostly have an impact on the amount of people that can participate in the conference (due to spatial capacities here).

For the time being the most important thing to remember is to **please not put out any advertising information or take any registrations without running it past us first.** We need to make sure that correct information and logos for our institution are represented.

I have reached out to ask for the Memorandum of Understanding to be given by our February meeting so that I can present it for approval.

2020 Hotels:

I have soft holds for a block of rooms at the Drury Forest Park, someone else has one at the Drury at the ballpark, I also have soft holds at the Hampton Inn in Forest Park and a call in for the Holiday Inn at Forest Park. All the hotels said they cannot quote us a price until we are less than a year out for our conference. Right now the estimates are between 139-209. I was going to try to get firmer offers the week before our February meeting.

St. Louis seems to want to wait until less than a year before we get contracts, but we are confirmed at the History Museum.

I should say someone else from our group already has a soft hold for the Drury at the ballpark. I also called two hotels downtown and they said the same thing about the year out thing. Everyone said their calendars are open for a group our size to accommodate on that weekend.

2019 Conference News (Brian):

- \$2400 (Friday Lunch Budget) Partnership w/ World History Digital Education Foundation sponsored by the Korea Foundation
- \$800 Funding for Social from SocialStudies.com at Prison Brews with Trivia Possibility
- Current Estimated Cost: \$11,161.92--On Track--Always Estimated Conservatively
- Including improved breakfast option as well as coffee and tea service.
- Registration Currently at 101 as of January 10th--On Track for 130-140 which meets last time we had a central Missouri location.

T-Shirts (Rhett): See Google Form to Vote on Appropriation for Shirts

- [Outline of MCSS-RPDC Partnership](#)
- New T-Shirts can be printed for \$ 8.00...sell for \$10.00
 - Make a motion that 100 T-shirts be purchased for MCSS Conference through Big Frog Apparel unless we can get a cheaper price from another distributor.
- Old T-Shirts....can we get those to the presenters for giveaways at the RPDCs?