

**MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL COMMITTEES
DIVISION VIII ~ VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOLS**

Annual Meeting Notes

Thursday, November 2, 2017 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Hyannis Resort & Conference Center ~ Bass Alcove

The meeting was opened at 10 a.m. by Chairman Don Erickson. Twenty-six were in attendance, representing 11 Division VIII schools. The attendance list with contact information follows the meeting notes.

Chairman Erickson distributed results of a “Survey Monkey” designed to guide scheduling and themes of meetings between now and the next annual meeting. He reviewed results and it was determined we will plan at least two meetings in the coming months, preferably fifth Wednesdays, 6 p.m., with a dinner. The focus of upcoming meetings this year will be topics in cyber security and emerging technologies.

In the planning stages is a dinner meeting for Wednesday, January 31, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Assabet Valley Voc-Tech, with a *\$10 (paid by attendees or their sending schools) meal, arranged by Vice Chairman Lynn Ryan. Cyber security will be the primary focus, feature a two-track presentation designed for policy-makers, and for those dealing directly with information technology. Division VIII members will be asked to provide their currently policies in advance of the program, for review by the guest presenters. Division VIII Officers will organize the program, and will have information out before the holidays.

**Following the Division VIII annual meeting, Chairman Erickson spoke with Glenn Koocher, MASC Executive Director, who agreed MASC would underwrite meals for attendees.*

When asked for other input, it was suggested Division VIII should look into some collaborations between vocational-technical schools and community colleges. Another suggestion was to look into vocational-technical schools that are serving as a sort of “employment agency.” No action was taken on either suggestion at this time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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