## **MiSTEM Advisory Council**

Summary Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2019

Attendees: Rich Bacolor, Dan Centers (on behalf of Sen. Polehanki), Katherine Heath, Heidi Maltby-Skodack, Adam Mensinger (on behalf of Rep. Paquette), Josh Nichols, Courtney Peterson, Roni Rucker-Waters, Megan Schrauben, Ed Silver, Christian Velasquez, Carolyn Wierda

## Agenda:

- 1) Approval of June 13, 2019 Minutes [Co-Chairs]
  - a) Carolyn Wierda moved to approve, Ed Silver seconded, passed unanimously
  - b) Discussion of Open Meetings Act requirements and how to handle possible future conflicts of interest [Megan Schrauben]
  - c) Discussion of MiSTEM Council Website and transition to LEO [Megan Schrauben]
    - i) Will be launched for LEO August 12th (link out to same site)www.michigan.gov/LEO
- 2) Public Comment [Co-chairs]
  - a) Presentation by high school student Katherine Heath on FocuSStem NextGen
    Program
    - i) Goal of the program is to inform urban populations about STEM, please view the website <a href="https://www.focusstemnextgen.com/">https://www.focusstemnextgen.com/</a> for more information about this program
    - ii) Katherine is interested in serving on the council
- 3) Expectations of new Council Subcommittees and process for running meetings in subcommittees [Co-chairs, Megan Schrauben]
- 4) MiSTEM Grants and Improvement Process [Carolyn Wierda, Megan Schrauben]
  - a) 1st CEDER report submitted

- b) Confirmation on Council priorities for this fiscal year grant application
- c) Anticipated draft application available for review on September 16th
- 5) Council Items Brought Forward [All]
  - a) Next face-to-face meeting is September 16th and 17th with the Network
  - b) Senators and Representatives--any legislation updates that the Council should be aware of?
- 6) Executive Director Report / Updates
  - a) GUD Marketing--working with Megan and the Network to craft a message to policymakers and key stakeholders to send along the main findings from the evaluation studies that were due on July 1st
    - Outlines a report schedule/timeline, will allow us to review the existing
      report as well as write and revise for the December deadline
  - b) Region Grants Update
    - i) Currently interviewing for regions 6 and 12 and a project director position
    - ii) Statewide network strategic plan has been drafted
  - c) National Meetings / Joint Learning
    - i) STEM Learning Ecosystems Community of Practice Convening,
      Cleveland, OH, October 21-23, 2019
  - d) Interest in the MiSTEM work / connections made over the past month
  - e) Update council contact information for the appointments office and region director contacts are being updated as they are officially hired