MassCAN Advisory Board Meeting – Wednesday January 20, 2016

In Attendance: Advisory Board Members Carol Mahoney, Tom Hopcroft, Hans Batra, Bryan Jamele, Eric Conti, Rick Adrion, Steve Vinter, Invited Guests Tripp Jones, Aimee Sprung, Shereen Tyrrell, Pat Larkin, Jim Stanton

Absent: Kalise Wornum, Danielle Curcio

Chair: Steve Vinter

Time: 3:00p – 6:00p
Location: MITRE Corporation
202 Burlington Road (Route 62)
Bedford, MA 01730
MITRE Center (C Building) Room 1C103

Agenda

1. Review of Q4’2015 highlights
2. Priority review and reset for 2016
4. Legislative Amendment for Board expansion of +3 (MassTLC Education Foundation, The Partnership, Inquilinos Boricuas En Accion)
5. Discuss the roles of Advisory Board members and MassCAN Leads members in Work Groups
6. Wrap-up and next steps

Meeting Notes

Discussion - Review of Q4’2015 highlights

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<td>• MACP commits $165K in new funding</td>
<td>• Hour of Code success – 1/3 of MA schools!</td>
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<td>• STEM Advisory Council +1’s MassCAN</td>
<td>• Kudos to MassTLC EF and CAITE!</td>
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<td>• Microsoft partner contribution $130K to MTLC Education Foundation and others</td>
<td>• Vinter keynote @ MassCUE annual conf.</td>
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<td>• Legislature declines “non-state” match language</td>
<td>• MassTLC plans Technovation Challenge ’16</td>
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<td>• Briefing Book assembled to support fundraising</td>
<td>• CodeGirl documentary screening at Google</td>
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Discussion - Priority review and reset for 2016

• We are behind on fundraising, however the recent 9c cuts did not affect MassCAN
• Approx. 500 people have signed up for the Technovation Challenge ’16 and Shereen is working to get more women mentors involved from Raytheon, MITRE, Google, etc.

Policy

• Board of Education presented with DL/CS Standards: “preaching to the choir”
• Jim, Tripp et al. attend White House CS Week
• Jim attends White House event for CS education leaders

Professional Development

• NSF ECS Cohort 3 recruitment is underway
• Mobile CSP recruitment begins--CAITE
• GUTS recruitment to begin in March
• Code.org discussions for 2016 K-5 training
• Collection of Teacher PD data for al PD programs
Discussion - Budget Review for 2016
- Discussion centers on the amount of funds that are anticipated to be raised between now and the end of the fiscal year and whether the total amount needs to be spent down before the end of the fiscal year.

Discussion - Tier 1 Program Priorities of use of Private Match funds that are being raised
- There was discussion of Tier 1 Program Priorities for the new $165,000 private match funds that have been raised. The primary focus for spending these new funds was for existing commitments for teacher stipends and to sustain commitments for K-12 professional development programs.
- Steve Vinter recommended that we assume we will raise an additional $20,000--$165,000 + $20,000= 185,000 and allocate the additional $20,000 for work to complete the DL/CS standards process.

Eric Conti moved that “the Advisory Board authorize MassCAN spend match funds up to $165,000 to support existing commitments for teacher stipends and K-12 PD programs and that $20,000 be used to support completion of DLCS Standards development process”. The motion was seconded by Carol Mahoney.

The vote is:
Ayes = Unanimous
Nay = None

Discussion – Legislative Amendment for Board expansion of +3
- Jim Stanton suggests that we consider engaging The MTLC Education Foundation, The Partnership and Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción for possible new members.
- Aimee wonders if those on the Advisory Board are already working with organizations that represent POC. Jim is willing to consider other organizations besides IBA and the Partnership and will have a follow up discussion with Aimee.
- Jim will work with Tom, Brian and JD on the legislative change necessary to include additional board members.

Discussion - Roles of Board members and MassCAN Leads members
- What are the areas of interest of the current board members? Initial working group are as follows:
  - Policy – Brian, Tom, Tripp, Pat
  - Professional development – Hans
  - District engagement and Equity (reach out to City Year) – Eric, Candace, Steve, Rick
  - Public Awareness – Shereen, Aimee, Carol

Eric Conti move to adjourn the meeting and Bryan Jamel seconds the motion. The vote to adjourn is:

Ayes = unanimous.