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**MAVA General Membership Meeting**

**Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel, Marlborough, MA**

**Thursday, October 19, 2023**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

*Warmup*

12:00 NOON MAVA Officers’ Meeting

1:30 PM MAVA Board of Directors’ Meeting – Seminar Room

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*The Main Event*

3:00 PM Registration for MAVA General Membership Meeting – Ballroom Foyer

3:30 PM Start of General Membership Meeting program – Salon ABC

* + - Welcome, Announcements, and Updates – MAVA President Dr. Heidi Riccio
    - Introduction of New Administrators in MAVA Member Schools
    - Welcome New “Connecting for Success” Conference Team and Review of Plans for 2024 Conference – Connecting for Success Conference Chair Gabriela “Gabby” White
    - Presentation of “MAVA Unsung Hero Award” by MAVA Executive Director Steven C. Sharek

3:55 PM-

4:05 PM Presentation by Kimberly LaFleur, State Advisor/Program Director, Massachusetts FFA

4:05 PM **Move to Breakout Sessions**

4:15 PM-

4:40 PM **Special Breakout Session #1** (MAVA Leadership Groups are invited to stay for this session. They may also choose to conduct their meetings during this time.)

Best Practices: ***“Advocating in Our Schools with Local and State Officials”***: Discussion led by Dr. Karen Maguire, Superintendent, Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical High School, Franklin, MA; Eric Duda, Superintendent, Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School, Palmer, MA; and Michael Watson, Superintendent, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, New Bedford, MA.

What can you do within your school to promote and strengthen your relationships with local and state elected officials?

This session, a follow-up to a popular “Early Bird” session held at the recent MAVA Planning Retreat, may be of particular interest to Superintendents, Principals, Vocational Directors, Admissions Directors, Guidance Directors, Communications Directors, and others hoping to strengthen their relationships with local and state officials. – *Seminar Room*

4:45 PM –

5:40 PM **Special Breakout Session #2** (MAVA Leadership Groups are invited to stay for this session. They may also choose to conduct their meetings during this time.)

***“Opening (and Closing) Chapter 74 Programs: Doing It Right, from Start to Finish”***: Presentation led by Rick Martin, Superintendent, Franklin County Technical School, Turners Falls, MA.

Over the past five years, Superintendent Martin has started three new Chapter 74 programs at Franklin County Tech: Medical Assisting, Animal and Veterinary Science, and Aviation Science.

Is ***your*** school thinking about starting a new Chapter 74 program? Closing a program? Where do you begin? How long does it take? What does it cost?

This session may be of particular interest to Superintendents, Principals, Vocational Directors, and CTE Directors in Comprehensive High Schools. – *Seminar Room*

4:15 PM –

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5:40 PM **Available for Breakout Sessions for MAVA Leadership Groups:**

* Academic Coordinators – Sterling Room
* Admissions Directors – Hudson Room
* Co-Op Coordinators – Sudbury Room
* Educational Technology Directors – Zachary’s Restaurant
* Facility Directors – Zachary’s Restaurant
* Finance Administrators – Corporate Room
* Post-Secondary Technical Institute Directors – Executive Board Room
* Principals – Southborough Room
* School Counseling/Guidance Directors – Wayland Room
* Special Education Administrators – Boxborough Room
* Vocational Directors – Marlborough Room

5:45 PM Dinner – Salon ABC

6:30 PM Networking