



MAVA General Membership Meeting
Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel, 181 Post Road West, Marlborough, MA 01752
Thursday, March 14, 2024

AGENDA

Warmup

- 1:00 PM MAVA Officers' Meeting - TBA
1:30 PM MAVA Board of Directors' Meeting - Seminar Room

The Main Event

- 3:00 PM Registration for MAVA General Membership Meeting - Ballroom Foyer
Meet the Author - Dr. Wilfrid J. "Fred" Savoie, retired Superintendent-Director at Blue Hills Regional Technical School and author of History of Vocational Education in Massachusetts: A Model for the Nation - Ballroom Foyer
3:30 PM Start of General Membership Meeting program - Salon ABC
Welcome and Announcements by MAVA Vice President Dr. Denise Pigeon
Introduction of New Administrators from MAVA Schools
3:45 PM Brief update from Deputy Commissioner Regina Robinson, Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, on DESE programs and initiatives.
Recognition by Deputy Commissioner Robinson and officials from MAVA member schools of the five Chapter 74 students from MAVA member schools who have been nominated as U.S. Presidential Scholars:
- Daniel Rutherford, Keefe Regional Technical School
- Sarah Johansen, Shawsheen Valley Technical High School
- Gabriella Ortiz, Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School
- Nathaniel Shramko, Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School
- Ruby Ho, Worcester Technical High School
4:20 PM "MAVA Recognition Award" presented to Donald H. Erickson, retired Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical School Committee member, and former Division VIII chair, Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC). Presenter: David Ferreira, MAVA Communications Coordinator and retired MAVA Executive Director.

4:30 PM Keynote Speaker – Salon ABC

Keynote Speaker Hamish Brewer (a.k.a. the Tattooed, Skateboarding Principal)
Mr. Brewer is an award-winning school principal and is the author of ***Relentless: Changing Lives by Disrupting the Norm***

The keynote speaker will be introduced by Aaron Polansky, Superintendent of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School.

5:30 PM Breakout Sessions

- Individual Sessions for MAVA Leadership Groups:
 - JOINT MEETING: Admissions Directors (Brenda Richardson and Lisa Martinez) and School Counselors (Adrienne Bogusky and Sandra Goldstein) – Hudson Room
 - JOINT MEETING: Vocational Directors (Jim Hachey and Don Ducharme) and Comprehensive School Administrators (Kathleen Duff) – Marlborough Room
 - Educational Technology Directors (Joe Marino and Annamaria Schrimpf) – Wayland Room
 - Facility Directors (Ryan Monk) – Sudbury Room
 - Finance Administrators (Dolly Sharek) – Corporate Room
 - Post-Secondary Technical Institute (PSTI) Directors (Nancy Houle) – Executive Board Room
 - Principals (Mark Wood, Anthony Steele, and Karen Guenette) – Duchess Room
 - Special Education Administrators (Michael Dolan) – Boxborough Room
 - Not Meeting: Co-Op Coordinators (Mark Amstein)
 - Not Meeting: Academic Coordinators (Catie Tuccinardi and Rebecca Swasey)

- “Updates from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education,” Elizabeth Bennett, Associate Commissioner of College, Career and Technical Education, DESE, and staff – Princess Room

- “Updates from the Commonwealth Corporation,” Rainer Haarbusch, Director CTI, Commonwealth Corporation – Southborough Room

6:15 PM Buffet Dinner (Compliments of MAVA)

Networking