



# Minnesota Educational Facility Management Professionals

## The Messenger

**OCTOBER 2016 NEWSLETTER**

### The “Tool Box” for Educational Facility Management Professionals

#### **Doug Slinginger**

#### **MASMS 2016 Facilities Professional of the Year**



**Doug  
Slinginger**

Doug Slinginger, Ada Borup Schools, was named the 2016 MASMS Educational Professional of the Year. To receive the title the individual needs to be an innovator, natural leader and one who consistently exhibits professionalism, service and integrity. Doug fits this title perfectly!

Each year a \$1,000 scholarship is given to the home school in the name of the Educational Facility Management Professional of the year. Thank you to Hillyard and Johnson Controls, who provide the funds for this award.

### **MASMS Members Recognized at the 2016 Conference**



#### **Outstanding Educational Contributors**

Steve Anderson ~ Albert Lea Schools  
Chris Wirz ~ St. Francis Schools

**Outstanding Professional Partner**  
Connie Nordquist, MASBO



#### **Outstanding Business Contributors**

Dana Krakowski, Envirobate  
Amy Satterfield, IEA  
Greg Gillett, Hillyard (Not Pictured)  
LeRoy Biteler, Haldeman Homme (Not Pictured)

#### **Past Presidents Award** Joe Arthurs, Hibbing Schools



**Congratulations to the MASMS 2016 award recipients! We truly appreciate their commitment to MASMS!**

### **The Gavel passed from 2015-16 President Reed McFarlane to 2016-17 President Maureen Mullen**



**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO THE MASMS  
NEWLY ELECTED  
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**JUSTIN MCCOY**  
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WELCOME

## NEW EDUCATIONAL MEMBERS

Michell Smith, So. Washington Schools  
 Jim Florey, Loyola Catholic Schools  
 Damien Nelson, So. Washington Schools  
 Anthony Miller, Long Lake Conservation Center  
 Steve Stupak, Hermantown Schools  
 Paul Bourgeois, Minnetonka Schools  
 Gerry Klocke, East Central Schools  
 Robert Sumner, Milaca Public Schools

## NEW BUSINESS MEMBERS

Josh Lowe, Akita Box  
 David Lewis,  
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 Al Hentges, Kromer Co. LLC

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 Check it out at [www.masms.org](http://www.masms.org)

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## MASMS 2016 Expo Learning from MASMS Business Members!



## SIGN UP EARLY ~ IT WILL FILL UP FAST! (Limit of 30 attendees.) MASMS January 2017 Boot Camp

Wednesday January 18th & Thursday  
 January 19th, 2017 — 8:00 AM to 4:00  
 PM (Dinner 6:00 PM Wednesday even-  
 ing) at the Holiday Inn, St. Cloud, MN.

**Cost:** MASMS will cover the cost of this  
 training. This includes cost of class, hotel  
 room for Wednesday night (and Tuesday  
 night if 1.5 hour drive), and all  
 meals. (Meals include: Wednesday lunch  
 and dinner; Thursday breakfast & lunch;  
 break for both days.)

### Boot Camp Information:

The MASMS Boot Camp is specifically de-  
 signed to provide training for facility profes-  
 sionals. The training will be of great value  
 for newly employed facilities managers or  
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## Twelve MASMS Members Completed the Required Curriculum for the MASMS Facility Manager Certification!

Mr. Mat Miller, Austin Schools (Educational Chair)  
presented their certificates at the 2016 MASMS Conference!



### Back Row:

Vince Elke, Eden Prairie  
Steve Malecka, Eastern Carver County  
JJ Williams, Kasson Mantorville  
Phillip Stier, No. Hennepin College  
Steve Ericson, Osseo  
Laura Larsen, Stillwater

### Front Row:

Todd Lieser, Roseville  
Tim Reps, St. Charles  
Dan Roeser, White Bear Lake

### Not Pictured:

Bradly Neutz, Maple Lake  
Scott Peterson, Robbinsdale  
Craig Wokson, Osseo

### 3 Year Recertification (not pictured):

Kevin Johnson, Red Wing  
Mat Miller, Austin

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## 2016 Scholarship Contributors Recognized at Conference

Due to generous support from contributing MASMS members, MASMS awarded \$15,000 to 32 Children in 2016! Thank you!



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Safety First Playground  
*Not pictured:*  
American Time  
Mavo Systems  
State Supply Company  
Grace Child  
Filtration Systems



### Silver Level

Allegion  
Door Service Co of  
the Twin Cities  
*Not pictured:*  
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Johnson Controls  
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### Gold Level

Climate Makers



### Platinum Level

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The MASMS Scholarship Committee donates time to the setup and selection of the MASMS Scholarships each year.

Mr. Dan Held, Roof Spec is the Scholarship Committee Chair.

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## 2016 MASMS \$1,000 Sustainable Grants Two Grants were awarded this year!

Awarded to: Moose Lake Community Schools  
Douglas Engie, MASMS Member  
"Outdoor Classroom Within the School Forest"

The outdoor classroom will be designed by the student council, in consultation with the school forest committee, using ideas from the Building Outdoor Classrooms booklet provided by Focus on Forests. The student council members will work with ARI, the current architects of the new facility and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to determine the best location for the classroom. Money from your grant will be used towards expenses in clearing the classroom area and towards construction materials.

The students will determine what type of seating and tables will be best, as well as landscaping and pathways. The Industrial Technology class at Moose Lake High School will complete construction within the classroom space. Salvaged timber from the clearing of the new school building site will be used as much as possible. Money from the grant will be used towards expenses in clearing the classroom area and towards construction materials.

Awarded to: Marshall County Central Schools  
Darwin Nelson, MASMS Member  
"Science Outdoor Classroom"

Last year, we started working on a cooperative venture with U.S. Fish and Wildlife on a science outdoor learning area. The school district set aside 5 acres of land. So far U.S. Fish and Wildlife assisted with brush mowing, a controlled burn, and the purchase of native prairie seed. This year we plan to create a student learning area within the prairie wetland. Creating the student learning area will include clearing a 30' x 30' section of land, unloading surfacing, adding signage, assembling bench/tables, building bird houses, bat houses, and other learning stations.

We would like to finalize plans for the student learning area and begin outdoor work this fall. Assembly of benches, bat houses, and bird houses will occur in the winter. Finalizing the learning area by adding signage, a mowed trail path, and installation of bird houses and bat houses will occur in the spring.

This is a truly cooperative project with our custodians assisting with landscaping, students helping them, students constructing the bird/bat houses, assembling benches, teachers helping with planning and guidance. Our school board has endorsed this project and the project has been supported by the Beito Foundation, local Lions Club, and other organizations.

## Twelve \$500 Building & Grounds Grants Awarded at the MASMS Conference

During the trade show on Thursday, MASMS held drawings for twelve (12) \$500 Building & Grounds grants to be used for a building and grounds project of the school's choosing! All educational members registered for the conference were automatically in the drawing, and they had to be present on the trade show floor to win.

The following names were drawn this year, and their school will be presented with a \$500 grant!

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Kevin Johnson, Red Wing   | Todd Pelarski, Big Lake    |
| Patrick Poquette, Hopkins | Thomas May, Red Lake       |
| Perry Burnside, Hawley    | Bruce Hanson, Monticello   |
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All the participants efforts helped make the day a huge success.  
All funds raised at this event go to the MASMS Scholarship Fund.

### A special thank you to our 2016 Golf Sponsors!

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**Thank you  
to all  
Participants!**



## Legislative Issue for MASMS Members

### 16C.251 BEST AND FINAL OFFER.

A "best and final offer" solicitation process may not be used for building and construction contracts. The current statute specifically prohibits this practice, the Department would repeal this statute.

### Question, how does this affect us?

16C.251 - <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=16C.251> ~ History: *2007 c 148 art 2 s 44*

Please email the MASMS office at [ruth@masms.org](mailto:ruth@masms.org) if you have comments and or thoughts on this possible change.

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## Students Receiving a MASMS Scholarship Fund in 2016

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Molly Boland  
Ian Bonar  
Ashlyn Bradford  
Taylor Bright  
Nicklaus Churchill  
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## Mark Your Calendar!

October 26, 2016 Southern Chapter Meeting, SCSC Mankato MN  
 October 26, 2016 Northwest Chapter Meeting – Thief River Falls MN  
 November 8, 2016 Metro Chapter Meeting, Minneapolis MN  
 November 17, 2016 Northern Chapter Meeting – Brainerd MN  
 December 13, 2016 Metro Chapter Meeting, Minneapolis MN  
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