

## Michigan STEM Partnership Board

The Michigan STEM Partnership is a public-private collaborative of individuals and organizations that share the common goal of creating a workforce with the skills required to create and sustain a vital state economy. Development of these skills increasingly involves P-20 education and preparation in STEM-related fields, as well as in social and written communication, problem-solving, and innovation. The Partnership recognizes that to achieve its goal, it must facilitate and encourage a change in the current education culture to one based on cross-disciplinary, project-based, and applied learning, teamwork, and creativity.

The Michigan STEM Partnership oversees and facilitates STEM activities across the state by connecting and supporting organizations and individuals who support and promote STEM education.

The work of the **Michigan STEM Partnership** is guided by a Board that includes equal representation from **non-educators** and **educators**. The Board is supported in each of the STEM hubs by leadership teams that also reflect this structure.

## Michigan STEM Partnership Board Membership requirements:

- ✓ Board members will preferably be at a decision-making level in their organizations, have significant influence (statewide, company-wide, or publicly), and have demonstrated understanding of the mission of the Partnership.
- ✓ The Board year starts on September 1 and ends August 31. Members will serve staggered two (2) year terms.
- ✓ The Board meets every second month on the fourth Thursday, between noon and 3 p.m. Members may attend in person or through the use of technology. Members are expected to serve actively and to participate on committees and task forces as appropriate.

## **Board responsibilities**

- Develop/modify, approve, and distribute an annual Partnership Strategic and Operational Plan to ensure progress toward its statewide goals
- Ensure alignment of hub activities with Partnership goals
- Oversee and authorize use of funds to support the goals of the Partnership
- Distribute regular informational updates on the work of the Partnership and STEM education across the state (newsletter, web site, presentations, etc.)
- Solicit funding from various sources (grants, legislature, foundations, etc) to support the work of the Partnership and the hubs
- Advocate on behalf of STEM education to legislators and others
- Authorize use of all Partnership promotional materials
- Prepare and distribute an annual report on the activities and progress of the Partnership and hubs

## Nomination process

Interested parties should submit a resume or CV together with a cover letter of interest to the Executive Director either electronically (<u>info@mistemparternship.com</u>) or in hard copy (P.O. Box 12092, Lansing, MI 48901) no later than July 1 each year.