

**MAINE WELFARE DIRECTORS' ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 14, 2008
The Edgewater – Old Orchard Beach**

Present: Dot Meagher, Shawn Yardley, René Daniels, Stacey Parra, Vicky Edgerly, Sue Charron, Joan Kiszely.

Absent: Maurice Geoffrey, Mary Frances Bartlett, Darryl McKenney, Linda Fossa.

1. **Call to Order:** President Dot Meagher called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.
2. **Approval of September 11, 2008 Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by Vicky Edgerly, seconded by Sue Charron, all approved the September 11, 2008 minutes.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Linda Fossa absent. Dot Meagher reported that Linda Fossa would like the Finance Committee to review the budget for the upcoming year.
4. **Review Committee Minutes:** None
5. **Old Business:**
 - Discussion of Dues Application: Brief discussion on the process of the Dues Application. Motion made by René Daniels, seconded by Vicky Edgerly, all approved to keep the membership dues process the same as it is now. Brief discussion about members, towns and cities to utilize the scholarship program.
 - Mileage Discussion: Motion made by René Daniels, seconded by Shawn Yardley, tabled! The Amendment by substitution: To clarify under Article V. Section 4 letter D – to reimburse mileage for the board meetings and for those who teach training sessions. The expectation is that a member would not seek reimbursement from both their municipality and MWDA for allowed expenses. This excludes the Spring Seminar and MMA Convention. Shawn Yardley will reword to explain Article V. Section 4 letter D and will email to the board to review. He will not change substance, but add clarification.
6. **New Business:**
 - Discussion of the legislation proposed by Vicky Edgerly and others: Brief discussion that some liked the idea of the proposal, but some did not have the it. She will send it out again for review.
 - Update on Newsletter: Motion made by Vicky Edgerly, seconded by René Daniels, all approved, to give all the content to him and he will take care of this newsletter.
 - December Meeting: December 18, 2008 at the Augusta City Hall. Discussion on possible topics for the agenda.

After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the theme should be “Winter Issues” and ask Bob Thibodeau and Dawn Mulchany to speak during the Business Meeting.

Approval of the By-Laws needs to go on the December Agenda. They will also ask Kate Dufour do a Legislative Update.

Dot Meagher noted she will draft the agenda for the December brochure and get it to Joan Kiszely or her department.

DRAFT AGENDA

9:30 a.m.	Business Meeting – Kate Dufour will be invited
10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Winter Issue Panel
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Luncheon & Networking
1:30-2:30 p.m.	Security Deposit & Overflow Program
2:30-3:30 p.m.	Gift Exchange

7. **Other Business:** President Dot Meagher asked Vicky Edgerly to take the lead on poverty abatements. Brief discussion on poverty abatements.

It was requested that proposals be obtained from Point LookOut, Captain’s Galley, and the Edgewater. Joan Kiszely will provide the proposals to the Board via email.

Stacey Parra would like to have the Certification Policy, Instructor Policy and Scholarship Policy finalized.

8. **Adjournment:** Motion made by Dot Meagher, seconded by Sue Charron, all approved, to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m.