



Maine Welfare Directors Association
Local Government Center • 60 Community Drive, Augusta, Maine 04330

MWDA Executive Board Meeting

October 9, 2019 – 9:30 AM – MMA Building, Augusta

Roll call: Jay Feyler, Stacey Parra, Harrison Deah, Rindy Fogler, Kristen Barth, Joyce Pratt, Denise Murray, Randy White, Ellen Moore, Melissa White (MMA).

Absent, excused: KaTina Howes

President Rindy Fogler called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.

1: Approval of July 19, 2019 Strategic planning minutes

Motion made by Jay Feyler, seconded by Rindy Fogler, all approved the July 19, 2019 Strategic planning meeting minutes.

2: Spring Seminar

Melissa reported that she received the corrected invoice from the 2019 Spring Seminar. She also received a proposal for the 2020 Spring Seminar. The group discussed the proposal. Melissa will provide Hollywood Casino with the updates to the proposal and sign and return it to secure the date.

3: GA Basics/Advanced GA workshops in October 2019

- Discussion of the agenda presenters and staff.
- GA Basics – Intro from Kristen & Ellen. Basic Power Point – Kristen & Rindy, GA Application – Stacey and Randy, Confidentiality – Stacey, Basic Fact Pattern Stacey & Randy, Forms - Kristen.
- Advanced GA – Advanced Fact Pattern – Randy
 - Burials – Kristen with Randy assisting
 - Immigration – Harrison noted this session may take longer than the allotted time on the agenda. The group advised Harrison to take the time as needed.
 - Workfare – Rindy & Harrison. This section may just be w brief overview.
 - Rindy will purchase gift cards for attendee give a ways; 2 for each day.
 - Melissa will bring raffle tickets – 2 sets – Ellen will help do the 50/50. Rindy will bring her check book to write a check to cover any cash received.
- Food for Day 1, GA Basics – Antonia's – Pizzas: Cheese, meat, veggie, gluten free and salad, chips. Stacey dessert platter for this day only and drinks for both days.
- Food for Day 2, Advanced GA – Subway lunch platter & cookie platter.
- Breakfast items – Coffee, juices, continental breakfast. Coffee Dunkin – Kristen, Stacey will order breakfast items for both days, Rindy will have the breakfast items for day 2 as Stacey will not be attending. Kristen will bring back the drinks.

Bring trash bags for both days. Melissa will ask if we can dump the trash at Freeport Town office. If not Melissa can take the trash from Thursday, but someone else will need to take the trash on Friday. Melissa will bring trash bags.

Melissa will order lunch both days and use her MMA credit card.

6: Winter Issues

- Review of the agenda from the 2018 Winter Issues workshop.

Discussion of agenda for 2019

KV Cap

Lump Sum (30 minutes to cover basic of it) Randy will do this

Winter Emergencies – Discussion of narrowing this topic down to specifics. Discussion of having a panel of speakers for bigger and smaller communities with a brief powerpoint for questions.

Panel of all board members assisting in the discussion. Stacey and Rindy will work on the powerpoint.

Removing legislative updates for now as there are no current legislative updates. The group will check with Kate Dufour today.

Discussion of a session on homeless outreach. Denise will reach out to presenters from Kennebec Behavioral Health.

KV CAP – Denise will reach out

Discussion of mental health and or substance abuse session, panel or individual. Rindy will check to find presenter(s) starting with NAMI.

Rindy will provide speaker gifts and 4 gift cards for attendees.

7: IRS Update

- Stacey provided an update of the status of the MWDA's filing status. Although MWDA thought this issue was rectified, they were notified that they were provided incorrect information and they had to start the process over. Stacey and Rindy provided the IRS with all the requested documentation and sent it in along with payment. MWDA is now awaiting their response to correct their filing status from a 501 – 3 vs 501 C6.

8: Review dates agendas for 2020 workshops & board meetings

- The group completed the proposed 2020 training calendar

9: Legislative committee reports

- There was nothing new to report

10: Ordinance – Rental payments to non-relatives– a lodging license

- Discussion of if the lodging license verbiage needs to be taken out of the ordinance. Rindy will email Sue Pilgrim at MMA to add this to the updates for the ordinance next year.

11: Other business

- Stacey Parra provided the MWDA training history document that she has been working on. The group discussed adding in how long each session actually took and how the speaker and the session was evaluated.
- Rindy advised what the topic of discussion will be at the meeting today with Kate Dufour regarding possibly creating a GA work group who would look at how GA is handled and if it should be changed.

Motion made by Jay Feyler, to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kristen Barth, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:44 a.m.