



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

MWDA Executive Board Meeting

November 17, 2020 – 9:00 AM – Remote Access - Zoom

Roll call: Harrison Deah, Rindy Fogler, Denise Murray, Scott Tilton, Jay Feyler, Stacey Parra, Joyce Pratt, KaTina Howes and Melissa White (MMA).

Absent, excused: Kristen Barth

It was determined there was a quorum of at least 5 to conduct business.

President Rindy Fogler called the meeting to order at 9:08 am.

1: Approval of August 14, 2020 minutes

Motion made by Rindy Fogler seconded by Joyce Pratt, all approved the August 14, 2020 meeting minutes.

2: 2020 Workshops – Any via Zoom for remainder of the year?

Rindy reported she had a recent meeting with DHHS staff and it was noted DHHS has been receiving numerous calls for training. Rindy asked to collaborate with some online training. There will be no trainings for the remainder of 2020.

3: 2021 Training Calendar & Board meeting schedule

Discussion and decisions:

January 21st - GA Basic workshop via Zoom Morning training 9am to Noon

Agenda

Rindy will do the introduction

Basic Application – Jay with Stacey

Forms - Harrison (If Kristen is unavailable)

Winter Issues workshop via Zoom afternoon training 1pm to 4pm

Agenda

1-2pm Winter Emergencies – Harrison Deah

2-3pm Open

3-4pm DHHS Updates

2021 Calendar:

January 15th – Executive Board Meeting – Zoom

January 21st – Basic GA training AM, Winter issues training PM – Zoom

March 5th – Professional Development committee meeting - Zoom

April 27th – Advanced GA-Spring Seminar one day event, including the MWDA Annual Meeting– Zoom

The next meeting that needs to be scheduled is the Executive Board organizational meeting that is typically scheduled in July. GA Basic and Advanced GA workshops in September or October and possibly another Winter issues training in December. Melissa, Rindy and KaTina will schedule a zoom meeting to go over the MWDA finances.

Rindy will contact Sara Russell and DHHS representatives to determine if there have been repeated questions asked to the hotline. If so, this will be added to the 2-3pm time block. Another option is for the DHHS update to extend from 2-4pm.

4: Other Business

- Newsletter update. Harrison had to leave the meeting. Melissa checked and there haven't been any submissions that MMA has saved.
- Discussion of providing reference and resources to attendees, but not necessarily having to teach every topic. Encourage members to utilize the MWDA listserv, MWDA website and the DHHS hotline.

Ellen Moore has resigned as the MWDA secretary. Rindy plans on sending an email to the listserv regarding the open Board position. She will also discuss the current situation with the continuing COVID pandemic.

Motion made by Jay Feyler, to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stacey Parra, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m.