



Maine Welfare Directors Association
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MWDA Strategic Planning Session minutes

July 21, 2023 – 9:30 a.m. – MMA Building, Augusta & Remote Access: Zoom

Roll call: Harrison Deah, Jay Feyler, Stacey Parra, Ellen Moore, Deb Crocker, Penny Bean, Ryan Gorneau Jane Maynard, Chelsea Carll (MMA) and Melissa White (MMA).

Vice President Ryan Gorneau called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Absent, excused: Denise Murray, Melissa Albert

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

1: Welcome new Board members:

- Deb Crocker
- Penny Bean
- Melissa Albert
- Jane Maynard

2: Administrative Guide Review (Electronic copies only)

- Officer duties
- Committees

All board members will be a part of the Professional Development committee . The board will review the interested in committee list once all renewals have been received.

3: Spring Seminar

- 2023 location/options – Hilton Garden Inn – Bangor
- Dates April 22nd to 24th
- Work on a lower room rate

4: Set training, board meetings & roundtable meetings for remainder of 2023

- September Executive Board meeting – 9/22 at 3pm MMA and Zoom option
- September– GA Basics workshop – Agenda was set
- October – Advanced GA workshop – Agenda was set
- August & December Membership roundtables – Dates and participants were determined
- December 8 – Winter Issues – Agenda was set. Penny will reach out Jacob for Winter Issues and Ryan will reach out to DHHS for Advanced GA.

5: Finance Report

- Review profit/loss from each class last year
There was review of the 2023 Spring Seminar profit/loss.
There was a review of the outstanding invoices via MMA's aging report.

6: Legislative Committee report

- Jay reported that LD1732 was carried over. There was a discussion.
- LD9010 is pending. (An Act To Amend the General Assistance **Laws** Governing Reimbursement)
MMA has not been sending Legislative updates recently. There was discussion regarding the pros of this bill passing.

7: Other business

Roundtable August 16 & November 15. The group discussed that Harrison will run the 8/16 roundtable. Stacey will send the meeting link out and request topics. Ryan and Deb will both be out on August 16.

There was discussion of the MWDA's Ebiz platform being available. The group would like to offer on-demand.

Motion made by Jay Feyler, seconded by Stacey Parra, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m.