



Maine Welfare Directors Association
Local Government Center • 60 Community Drive, Augusta, Maine 04330-9486

MWDA Meeting Agenda

September 22, 2023 – 3:00 p.m. – MMA Augusta & Zoom

Roll Call: Ryan Gorneau, Deb Crocker, Ellen Moore, Jay Feyler, Stacey Parra, Ann Lambert (Guest), and Chelsea Carll (MMA).

Absent, excused: Harrison Deah, Jane Maynard, Denise Murray, Melissa Albert

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

Vice President Ryan Gorneau called the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m.

2: Approval of January 6, 2023 & July 21, 2023, minutes

- Motion made by Stacey Parra to approve the minutes for January 6, 2023, and July 21, 2023, and seconded by Jay Feyler. All approved.

3: Upcoming Workshops

Advanced GA 10.20.23

- Ryan Gorneau confirmed with the group that Harrison Deah will be replacing Penny Bean for the Disqualifications & Fair Hearings portion of the program.

Winter Issues 12.08.23

- Ryan Gorneau confirmed that Jacob Violette, CMP Supervisor, will present for the Electric Collections & Assistance Information. It was also confirmed that Ryan Gorneau will present the Immigration portion of the program.

4. MWDA 2024 MMA Administrative Services Agreement

- Chelsea Carll spoke to the updates to anticipate in the Administrative Services Agreement to be brought forth to the board in early October for review. Included is a section under Financial Conditions about ebiz processing and transaction fees, and expectations for meeting and event services venue changes under short notice

5: Other business

Appeal to revise the Application for General Assistance

- A letter was sent to MWDA by Dave Bailey with a request for the revision of the GA application. Jay volunteered to respond to Mr. Bailey that this discussion has been tabled for further discussion after further review by the board.
- Motion was made by Jay Feyler to table this discussion for further review and was seconded by Ellen Moore. All approved.

New Board Member Appointment

- Motion made by Ryan Gorneau to table this discussion, seconded by Stacey Parra. All approved.

2024 Admin Guide - Board positions, roles, expectations

- The 2024 Admin Guide will be reviewed by the board for updates to roles and expectations, including the appointment for the vacant director role.

2024 Meeting & Training Schedule (tentative)

- Stacey Parra proposed a calendar meeting to review this year's events, and to shift dates for 2024. Chelsea Carll to update with tentative dates for 2024 with reference to the 2023 calendar year and send to board the board for review.

Motion to adjourn by Stacey Parra, Seconded by Jay Feyler at 3:30 PM.