

MEEOA Google Hangout Meeting
October 20, 2014

In Attendance:

Kelly Illseman
Anthony Staffiere
Dave Megquier
Allan Parks
Casey Henderson
Teri Morse
Christy Le
Daniel Barton
Sandra Tijerina
Danette Madore
Darylen

Call to Order

Motion to approve Agenda as it is: Daniel and Second Teri

Secretary's Report: Christy- Sept meeting minutes were sent and posted to the Website
Kelly motions to approve the Minutes are they are: Second Daniel

President –Kelly check-in

Constitution amendment for all standing committee members to vote

What steps are needed? Dave: sending out a draft on what the amendment might be, send that out to the membership prior to the business meeting then there would be a vote at the conference. Al provided that document for the formal process to do that.

Nominations and Elections Committee - email Karen Keim and Lynn Ploof-Davis for suggestions: Kelly has a draft that she will e-mail both Karen and Lynn

NEOA Conference

Maine Basket items

Hotel stays and certificates for online auction

NEOA State Initiative Grants -Kelly

Suggested amount of \$500 but no cap; rolling deadline; form

is on NEOA website (total budget \$2500); submit to Sarah Morrell

Suggestion - membership initiative to help pay for postcards, other efforts to increase membership. This could be for anything that we think the state needs: for ex; to increase membership. Daniel, Kelly and Sandra and Teri will collaborate to get this going. Al was wondering if there are restrictions on this money? Everyone is in an agreement we don't need a formal vote to move forward with this. Post Cards are in the process ordered 350 for now.

Policy Seminar Nomination Deadline - Friday, Dec 5th

Dory Award where is the application? How does that process work?

- nomination Karen Keim (Darylen and Danette) and

Mila Tappan (Lynn); picture and they can keep the award

In the past a picture of a Dory award was presented, discussion of was it a plaque? So the award is not kept but it gets recycled, to make it an on-going award. Suggested giving a photo and the recycled plaque so the recipient can keep the photo and pass on the plaque. Agreed to take some time to consider the nominations and potential new nominees. Asked for the Description sheet of the award there is one but not sure where it is? Dave will look this document and will send it out when found.

Fair Share Coordinator – Dave

Met the goal that was set forth, keep moving forward and collecting donations.

A check for \$1500 was sent on September 15th. Maine won a free policy seminar registration.

SSS additional info the draft for SSS has been withdrawn and pushed back until February.

Development Committee - Alan/Dave

Leaving this open does anyone have anything they need development in? Asking everyone for development needs at this point. To include the conference booklet. They will take the lead for the conference booklet but everyone should be looking for ads for the conference booklet. New Owner's at the Black Bear Inn may want to place an ad in the conference booklet.

Conference Chairs - Danette & Darylen

Have a list of workshops they are working on. Not sure what to do with the Leadership group as Steve is Not coordinating that this year. Waiting to hear back from presenters. Teri has been a huge help with planning and workshop ideas and presenters.

One strand is Wellness, Talked about large group presenters and smaller group presenters. Discussion on gift cards and lost cards in the mail, checks made out directly to members to purchase gift cards might be a better option.

Kelly announced that Steve Visco is not going to lead MELI this year, do we try to find someone else to lead this? Or do we skip a year? All in agreement to Skip MELI this year.

Retiree rate for MEEOA membership and conference? On the membership form there is a question about retirement. This might need to be another constitutional amendment request. Suggested possibly reducing the rate on conference registration. Teri Found on the MEEA registration site that there IS in fact a reduced rate for retiree's members and non-members.

Discussion on conference material to be on a Flash Drive or Paper version. Leaning towards flash drive option with a One-page printed paper at the conference. And print out a couple Poster-sized info.

CE credits offered through Conference Services at UMaine <http://umaine.edu/conferences/ceu-programs/> \$10 app fee

President-Elect - Teri

Nominations committee info was of concern but those were addressed earlier. How to capture other people interested. Teri will draft up an e-mail to get more

Treasurer – Dan

Sent out \$1500 to COE \$500 was left over money from NEEOA leadership that was not used. And \$1000 was new money. Membership

Secretary – Christy

September minutes are submitted and posted. The treasure's report was not included in the meeting minutes but are posted separately for everyone to access.

Membership Coordinator - Sandra

34 members registered only 14 paid

Hall of Flags Coordinator - Anthony

Date set Wed March 4th 2015 Will be making more contact as we near the new year, 2015 he still has to wait to see who can be lined up to speak to the groups wait until after elections, hoping for Fresh faces in Augusta. He will call to verify that they will be in session on March 4th

TRIO Days Maine Feb 19-20, 2015 - Anthony

Hopeful to sign contracts with two Hotels, it is up for electronic vote so these contacts can be signed. In Contact with Cyr Bus lines to get transportation for 600 students. Quote was under budget so that was good. In Negotiations to get Husson, Thomas, and UMA, to help with the cost of a bus. Will be asking other institutions to help with this cost as well. Question on registration currently there is on one coordinating registration. What does this entail? Tracking number of registrants, making sure they are paid, checks in hand, Dan will help with this!

Public Relations Coordinator – Karen

Not in attendance but is available via e-mail

Other Business:

Past nomination applications (achiever, rising star, dory, pol sem) to G Drive?

Motion to Adjourn-Kelly Second: Anthony

Adjourn