MEEOA Google Hangout Meeting  
December 15, 2014

In Attendance:
Kelly Ilseman  
Anthony Staffiere  
Allan Parks  
Teri Morse  
Christy Le  
Daniel Barton  
Dave Megquier  
Chris Turner  
Becky Colannino

1 PM Call to Order- Kelly

Action: Approval of Agenda, motion to Approve agenda as is-Christy, Second-Anthony

Action: Acceptance of November 2014 Meeting Minutes, motion to accept November minutes- Daniel, Second-Teri

Subcommittee check-in

President -Kelly
Thank you’s to committees  
Alumni Reunion request from Bill - see below  
Policy Seminar Nominations/Acceptances - sent letter to Shaun and Bill  
- Registration now available for policy Seminar  
- Maine won a free policy seminar registration; how obtain from COE?- Dave says in order to get this redeemed submit a paper registration, find contact person on the COE website.

Constitution amendment for all standing committee members to vote (?)  
*send out draft of proposed amendment to membership prior to business meeting at the conference. We could get this fully discussed at the business meeting at MEEOA

Past-President – Chris
Talked with Teri about how to move forward to get next years committee member, send out a memo to ask.

President-Elect – Teri
Sent out an e-mail to the listserv with no response as of yet. Has been in contact with Lynn to get some suggestions for nominations for next year’s committee. She was thinking about a couple of people to nominate.
Membership Coordinator – Becky Colannino
Discussed also being on the nominations committee as membership coordinator

Casey just gave her database access and there are, 19 member joined and not paid
38 Paid total of 57 members have responded. 3 Programs not yet paid, 11 Programs are paid. Dan discussed that we are ahead of target. Letters to school professionals (Kelly and Sandra put together) were sent out last week only have one response so far.
Al reported - 39 paid member 7 program memberships last December 2013

56 registrations, 21 are paid for the conference
VIP people access so Becky has been working on guests and meals so counts will be more accurate.

Treasurer – Dan
Steady flow of checks for membership are coming in.

Bill Babbitt’s UMaine Upward Bound Reunion - August 2015 - $$ request for state initiative funds from UB Classic, no mention of dollar amount, but is putting on UB reunion August 8, 2015, asked about general funds that may be available for this event. There is nothing in the budget as of yet for events like this yet.

  Discussion about this: The only extra money that might be available is leftover from Policy but we overspent last year also. If we say yes to this event it opens the door to be asked by other programs in the future and not sure if this is something we want to open up. Discussed in the future maybe setting some money aside for Alumni use in the future. We should work with the Alumni committee to come up with getting some money from Alumni. The development committee can work with the Alumni committee next year for discussion about extra funds. Asked if there is a booklet for ads, would like to get the word out about MEEOA to this group of Alum. Added to the agenda for the Jan business meeting. The Executive committee should come up with pros and cons of this money. Chris and Dan will put this together via e-mail.

Sponsor Restorative Practices Workshop? Ginny had some questions about money the $500 donation was approved. They were hoping the programs would send money for lunches since this expense is usually not covered. Lunch at UMaine approx $9 maybe more. So bills would come from UMaine and the presenter. When is this event? Tuesday Feb 10th 2015

Programs send money for lunch and workshop to MEEOA Barb sends bill to MEEOA Programs already have MEEOA as a vendor and it allows us to include lunch as part of an all-day conference fee Lunch at UMaine, and after event university would send Bill to Dan 2 payouts and $ collection

Alumni Committee – Michelle (not in attendance) -Kelly
  Achiever and Rising Star Nominations/Selections; $ for nominees?
  2 Achievers: Rusty and Melissa were the Achievers. 3 Rising Stars: Kevin Richards, Amanda Keagan, Eric Ramsey.

MEEOA Achiever and Rising Star Nominations listed on the website?
Concerns about permission; need nominees/recipients to sign a waiver or include information in the application itself that nominees and recipients will be mentioned on the website? This cost came out of the general conference budget last year.

Plaque purchases: $30 each
Past nomination applications to G Drive? Do we have those in one place?

Conference Chairs - Danette & Darylen (not in attendance)
Scheduling update, Registration, Auction donations- Discussed local business and restaurants buying adds for gift cards and possible deals for conference attendees. Very close to having enough flash drives for the conference. Senator Collins Cannot attend the conference this year, she will be in DC.

Hall of Flags Coordinator – Anthony
Booked up, space is booked and paid for. After the new year will work on presenters.

TRIO Days Maine Feb 19-20, 2015 - Anthony
Everything is going strong, have a locked in DJ for the event. Karen is working to secure additional funds for extras, bags will be donated from VSAC. Husson has agreed to add a second bus and feed the students too. The appeal is still out for Security for the overnight?? Adult supervisors? Suggestions? Dan and Casey are handling registration 227 already registered for TRIO days almost 1/3 full!! Renee at UConn has been great with social media advertisement!

Fair Share Coordinator – Dave
As a Nation we are at 29% Maine is at 69% we lead the country in Fair Share!!

Development Committee - Alan/Dave
Good news Machias is on board with helping with the conference $500 now a conference sponsor. We need to invite them to the conference banquet. All the sponsors need to be on the same form and on the posters with logos for each business. Husson Is now an Annual Sponsor for MEEOA.

From Al:
Annual Sponsor benefits - $1,000/yr
• Your organization will be highlighted on our Sponsors page for one year and in Conference Booklet.
• Annual Sponsors are identified at all MEEOA events over the course of the year, i.e. handouts, podium posters, etc. Communications committee needs to assure these tasks are carried out.
• Your organization will be invited to have to honorary guests at the annual Conference banquet.
Conference Sponsor (back-up offer) - $500/yr
• Full-page ad in the Conference Booklet.
• Sign on site.
• Recognized throughout the event as a Conference Sponsor.
• Your organization will be invited to have to an honorary guest at the annual Conference banquet.

**Government Relations Coordinator – Dave**

The spending bill that was just approved the end of Last week. Both the House and Senate passed the bill. TRIO receive 1.5 million $ increase Sent a message that TIOR is important! The language that was written into the bill itself!! This started in the House Rogers’ from Kentucky, and other supporters. This was a great thing. Will be doing a 30-day notice period.

**Factbook Coordinator – Steve (not in attendance)**

On National level state leadership committee- Dave Chairs this committee. National data is easy to get, then we can show what is happening in Maine. Very few states have good Factbooks! Maine is one of them! Steve has all the SSS, EOC, and TS data so far!

**Public Relations Coordinator – Karen (not in attendance)**

**Nominations & Elections - Chris, Teri, Lynn**

**Webmaster – Casey (not in attendance)**

**Other Business:**

NEOA Conference - Maine Basket, asked for donations and ideas on items

**Adjourn**