

**MASSACHUSETTS ENVIRONMENTAL**  
**HEALTH ASSOCIATION**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

DATE: December 2, 2015

ATTENDEES: Alan Perry, President  
Leon Bethune, Vice President

Heather Gallant, Heidi Porter, Patrick Maloney, Michael Moore, Gary Perlman, Susan Sawyer (delete), Jennifer Tsio, Jen Murphy, Steven Ward, David Flaherty, Paul McNulty, Dan Ottenheimer, Gina McNeilly, Roberto Santamaria

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**I. WELCOME**

President Perry opened the meeting at 10:11 AM and welcomes all members in attendance.

**II. FINANCIAL REPORT/TREASURER'S REPORT**

Alan read financial report, \$8,965.00 received from dues

- Checking account balance is: \$68,365.70
- Money Market account \$33,158.40
- Total of \$101,524.10
- We have \$15,000.00 in Block grant funding for the state for a total of \$45,000.00 total so far and \$24,000.00 to spend by June 30, 2016.
- \$35,000.00 to Asto ?
- We had a loss of \$5,452.17 from the annual meeting.
- We made a profit from MA PHIT FOOD

**III. PARTNERSHIP FOR FOOD SAFETY**

Mike Moore talked about DPH approval for food training. Mike is also looking for a scope of work for the inspector training with the minimum requirement for creating the training manual.

Mike would also like MEHA to:

- Hold money to host an FDA annual food conference this summer in North Hampton for State and local Health officers. Mike will work with MEHA Treasurer. Board voted to approve.

**IV. CLPH**

- Meeting to discuss a joint orientation program for local public health.
- We are also looking for an administration assistant to help with the group.

**V. LSAC – No Updates**

## VI. Awards

Pat Maloney had nothing to report, but was working on awards for the annual meeting. The only award that is pending is the Yankee life time award which may go to Joe Hock.

## VII. Website

Gary Perlman reported that the website had over 24,000 visits, mostly from folks looking for carbon monoxide and flooding information. He also states that there was a tenfold increased in MEHA site visits and doesn't know if its hackers or legit.

Gary would also like to train additional web masters as backup.

Heather Gallant:

Facebook and Tweeter

Heather would like to continue to have folks put a follow us on their websites and is also looking for factorials to tweet out to keep the association folks engaged.

## VIII. Education

- Waste Water Seminar will be at the Taunton Holiday Inn on February 10, 2016 from 8am-5pm.
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- DPH will update us on changes on Title 5.
- Another presentation will include how to control and built a septic system.
- We will have a speaker from the state of Delaware to talk about Soil and Properties.
- We will use block grant funding money to pay for speakers' fees.
- For the annual meeting, we need some suggestions ASAP and basically we should look at what's going on currently, and bring in speakers to accommodate those topics.

### Yankee Conference Wrap-up

We had great venues and presentations

Pat Maloney stated he would like to thank the executive board for all of their help for a successful Yankee Conference.

The board then thanked Pat for all the hard work he did for the Yankee Conference.

Heidi reported a profit so far of \$2,831.4. Of this profit MEHA will retain 60% or \$1,698.84 and the Yankee board will retain 40% or \$1,132.56. Vendors/exhibitors still owe us \$800. Heidi will invoice these vendors.

## VI. OLD/NEW BUSSINESS

### OLD:

- Alan would like to issue yearly Stipends to the following Board member positions to be approve at the next board meeting for;
- Yankee conference treasurer: \$250.00
- MEHA Board Secretary: \$300.00
- MEHA Board Treasurer: \$500.00
- Yankee Coordinator. ---- ?

### NEW:

- Steve Ward and Peter Wilner Presentation of MEHA internship program updates.
- Steve had 2 interns present at the meeting, Mike Mendez, Steve Bell who talk about their internship experience.
- Steve talked about the internship program and what they did.

- The board agreed to a \$3,500.00 stipend to keep the program going.
- Gerry Cody's NEHA Intern Proposal tabled to next meeting
- Jen Murphy mentioned new proposed GMO legislation and offered to draft letter from MEHA in opposition to Local Public Health enforcement