

**MASSACHUSETTS ENVIRONMENTAL
HEALTH ASSOCIATION**

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

DATE: July 26, 2017

ATTENDEES: Leon Bethune, President
Robin Williams, Vice President
Regina Hanson, Secretary
Deb Rosati, Treasurer

Micheal Boudreau, Patrick Maloney, Michael Moore, Alan Perry, Susan Sawyer, James White

I WELCOME

President Bethune opened the meeting at 6:16 PM and welcomes all members in attendance.

II TREASURER'S REPORT

D. Rosati reports the following account balances:

Checking : \$79,404.07
Money Market: \$33,254.08

III COMMITTEE REPORTS

Coalition for Local Public Health/ Local Advisory Committee

LSAC is "on-hold" since Tom Carbone stepped down and there is no heir apparent

The meeting with the commissioner in June was successful.

There was a discussion regarding public health nurses and workforce development, burn-out is high, retention is a problem, salaries are not competitive.

The board discussed their approach to the upcoming public hearings for housing and pool codes also, having Paul Halfman, DPH Community Sanitation Division, at next meeting, call-in will be acceptable.

Mass. Partnership on Food Safety

no report.

Website

There will be a new website by the end of September. Features will include a forum for questions, training clearinghouse and e-commerce capabilities.

Workforce Development

There will be a meeting of the Education Committee in August to discuss topics for upcoming seminars.

No venue or date yet for the first "Speaker's Series" networking event.

IV OLD/ NEW BUSINESS

The board will receive \$30,000 funding from the block grant, report must be submitted by 7/31/17. Ron O'Connor, DPH, is requesting a meeting with L. Bethune and A. Perry.

The president proposed an idea of having an orientation for new members (assemble a packet of responsibilities, expectations and goals)also, surveying the members to assess their needs.

NEHA REGION 9 VP UPDATES

no report

D Rosati made a motion to adjourn at 8:03 AM. Seconded by R Hanson. Passed unanimously

**** NEXT MEETING : SEPTEMBER 13,2017 ****