



STATE OF MAINE CHAPTER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ASSESSING OFFICERS

Executive Board Meeting
March 19th - 10:00 a.m.
Gray

MINUTES

Members Present: President Joseph St. Peter; Vice-President Lauren Asselin; Treasurer Clinton Swett; Past President Darryl McKenney; and Directors Barbara Brewer; Theresa Duff (remote); Kerry Leichtman (remote); Amber Poulin (remote) and Natalie Andrews (remote). Bonnie Baker was also present.

Members Absent: Secretary Don Ferrara and Director Brent Martin

President Joseph St. Peter called the meeting to order at **10:02 a.m.**

Secretary's Report

- The February meeting minutes were reviewed.
- Natalie moved to approve the minutes. Terri seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

- Clint sent his Treasurer's Report via email. The current checking account balance is \$9,645.55. Natalie moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Amber seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion passed.
- Clint reported that he paid the Chapter's website hosting subscription on February 18th, 2026, in the amount of \$560.83 and received membership dues of \$735.00.

Standing Committee Reports

Education

- Amber provided an update on venue choice for the Spring meeting. The Augusta Civic Center, The Green Ladle and Martindale Country Club are unavailable. Lost Valley was out of our price range. The Carriage House looks like the best option. Joe will view the Carriage House on-site on the 23rd and if it does not meet our needs, Amber will look for a different venue.
- If we choose The Carriage House, the cost would be approximately \$55 for a minimum of 50 attendees. Joe brought up an increase in the cost to attend to help cover the costs associated with the training. The Board decided that the new fees would be \$55 for members and \$75 for non-members. Board members will continue to pay to attend.
- If a different venue is needed, the Board agreed that Amber could go up to a maximum of \$85 per person. If the cost will be more than that, the Board will need to reconvene.
- Amber shared the preliminary agenda. She will work with Bonnie to determine the number of credit hours. Barbara asked to have the CMA# added to the registration.
- There will be 4 speakers at the training, and we will need to purchase a \$50 gift card for each of them. There will also be 2 drawings.

- Clint offered to talk to Matt Sturgis about the availability of the Val Halla County Club for a future event.

Legislative

- Darryl said the bill modifying the Veteran's Exemption is in Appropriations and discussed:
 - The BETR Program
 - The BETE program – expanding it to retail
 - The Homestead Exemption – allowing Irrevocable trusts
 - Solar
- Barbara spoke about LD-15.

Membership

- Don sent an updated paid membership list to Joe to put online prior to this meeting.

Audit

- The Audit is scheduled for October.

Nominations

- Nothing new to report.

Communications

- Joe spoke about the Presidential Gala. The MAAO has committed \$2,000. We are hoping to fundraise the same amount and will include details in the next newsletter. Some suggestions were:
 - Fuel raffle
 - 50/50
 - Corporate sponsorships
- Clint asked if the Board would consider matching the funds raised up to \$1,500. Joe said that the Board had decided previously not to use Board funds for the contribution.
- Barbara asked a few corporations to sponsor the gala, but they were not interested.
- We will hold a raffle and promote donations at the Spring training.
- Joe thanked Barbara for her newsletter and cryptogram. Terri Duff was the winner!

IAAO

- Kerry stated that there hasn't been a recent meeting and has nothing to report.

History

- Darryl brought up the possibility of honoring an assessor at a future event. This will be discussed at our next meeting.

Old Business

- No old business.

New Business

- No new business to report.

Lauren moved to adjourn the meeting at **10:55 a.m.** Clint seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Asselin, Vice President