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## Maine Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association

### Board of Directors Meeting Agenda *November 13, 2013*

Bureau of Highway Safety Gambling Control Board Room

1. 9AM, Carl Joy **Calls Meeting to Order**

Roll Call: Carl Joy, Carleton Sanborn, Marvin Cambell, Anthony Vine, Mike Hancher, Robert Mullen, Randy Greason. Absent: Gearld Clifford, Glenn Soucier. Visitor: Harry Epp, Kathadin Driving Academy.

Robert Mullen moves to approve the Agenda, Seconded by Carleton Sanborn

Robert Mullen moves to approve the **Secretary's Report with corrections**, Seconded by Mike Hancher

- a. Membership list – on going
- b. Thank you cards – completed
- c. Card for Mike, to be finished

Anthony Vine moves to approve the **Treasurer's Report** Seconded by Randy Greason.

- a. Legal Zoom, no news is good news?
- b. BMV conf. fees, EIN to Marvin so State of Maine can be billed.

4. SOS Letter, we received the delivery card, no response as of time of this meeting, (we received a response two days later) Randy is asked to write a follow up letter, to be sent to Anthony for printing and mailing.

- b. Conference (from new business, there is a report from Tony Vine a NETSEA



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Board member, about the direction NETSEA is going with Webinars. It is discussed as a great way to get a speaker we normally couldn't afford to our conference.)

c. Board Member Replacement Carl offers our vacant board position to Mr. Epp, who declines the position.

d. Permit Processing: seems to be going well in offices but slow out of Augusta by mail. (At this point a lengthy conversation took place with many questions and issues raised by Mr. Epp. He feels the BMV taking back the permit program is a big disappointment to driving schools and a problem for applicants in the north part of the state where a BMV office may not be readily available. It is pointed out to Mr. Epp that while MEDTSEA did submit legislation in this regard there was a desire within BMV to take back the program, expressed at a MEDTSEA Board meeting by Eric Bellavance and by the Deputy Secretary of State to the transportation committee. This appeared to be news to Mr. Epp.)

**5. New Business:**

a. SOS, BMV, MEDTSEA Carl Discussion

b. MEDEA Conference: Carleton Sanborn attended and reports that the conference was attended by approximately 15 driving schools and had approximately 37 attendees, including the Secretary of State who addressed the conference. It is also noted that an award was presented by MEDEA to a member of the BMV office who was present and accepted the award. Unrelated, Mr. Epp presents the board with a copy of a table he created regarding how Maine compares to other states in terms of Drivers Education and Permitting.

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c. BMV Update: nothing reported, not representative in attendance.

d. Legislation: ongoing work with Representative Ann Peoples, several requests have been made to the SOS's office regarding bonding. No response as of this meeting. Carleton Sanborn met with SOS Matt Dunlap on a related matter and the subject of Bonding came up, it appeared that SOS Dunlap was unaware of the legislation.

**Extended Public Comment:** *(limited to 3 minutes per person on any item/matter not listed on the agenda)* Mr. Epp introduced the board to his School, Kathadin Driving Academy, he meets in 3 different high schools, requires a 2 - 2.5 hour orientation of parents, teaches 31 hours of classroom and has homework and quizzes with requirements of students maintaining a, 80% average on all work. 3 attempts at final exam, must repeat class, at a reduced rate, if a student cannot pass the test after 3 tries.

Motion to **Adjourn by Randy Greason at 12:PM, seconded by Anthony Vine. Next meeting Wednesday December 11.**