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MAINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION

Convention Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

MCCA Offices, 4 Gabriel Drive, Augusta

Thursday, May 31st at 10:00 am

1. Introductions

Attendance: Owen Smith, Deb Tibbetts, Abby Shanor, Suzanna Gallant and Lauren Haven

2. Convention Schedule

3. Educational Sessions

The group looked at the updated schedule, identifying which educational sessions and event pieces still need to be confirmed. If there's space available, Kennebec County has offered to do an educational session on investing.

4. Entertainment

Contract for Casino Night has been signed and sent. Confirmation has been received and no deposit was requested by Fun, inc. The Tina Kelly Band for Friday night had already been confirmed. Todd Charles from York County has agreed to run the Trivia game Saturday night as a compliment to the casino night. He did it a few years ago for the York County convention and it was a big hit. We'll need to come up with a few little prizes to give away to winners.

5. Activities

Golf tournament is in progress, Tour of the weather service is set, brew bus has been confirmed and the deposit was sent. The group looked at price estimates from vendors for transportation to the weather service and agreed we should simply encourage car-pooling. This

will allow folks to come back at their leisure and perhaps spend more time at Pineland if they wish to do so. There are walking trails and various things to see. People will be able to go at their own pace and come back when they're ready.

6. Speakers

- Author and CEO Kevin Hancock of Hancock Lumber has been confirmed.
- We're waiting to see if Firooza Pavri, Director of the Muskie school will be able to speak on Friday night at the opening ceremonies. Charlie's working on this piece.
- NACo has not yet informed us who will be coming to speak for Saturday lunch.

7. Vendors – The group looked at the forms. Vendor Registration is now open, and we have eight exhibitors signed up. Lauren made a list of items to sponsor, any amount is helpful
Sponsors – Five people have expressed interest in sponsoring the conference.

Vendors as of 5-31-18

- Chris Stonier & Buzz Seating from Canada will share a booth
- Acadia Benefits
- Securus Technologies
- Androscoggin Bank
- SMRT
- JBGH – Jensen Baird
- Consolidated Communications (Fairpoint)
- NACo (by contract NACo can have a free booth)

Sponsors

- SMRT
- Skelton Taintor & Abbott
- Craig Winslow of SymQuest Technologies
- Milone & MacBroom
- Jensen Baird – Attendee bags

8. Other Updates

Lauren reported Commissioner Amy Fowler from Waldo County visited Point Lookout as a potential location for hosting next year's convention. They've changed owners & are likely to negotiate an affordable price for next year. It would be great if we could have that arranged before this convention.

9. Next Steps – Attendee Registration can open after educational sessions are nailed down – Shooting for launch in June.

10. June Meeting – The group looked at their schedules and decided on Friday, June 15th at 10:00 at the MCCA offices.