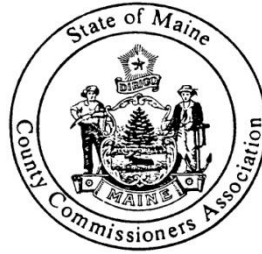


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Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes November 13, 2013

I. Call to Order, Introductions and Attendance

President Steve Joy called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m., and everyone introduced themselves.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Androscoggin – Commissioner Beth Bell, proxy for Commissioner Randall Greenwood; Aroostook – Commissioner Norman Fournier; Cumberland – Commissioner Thomas Coward with Manager Peter Crichton; Franklin – Commissioner Gary McGrane; Hancock – Commissioner Steven Joy; Kennebec – Commissioner George Jabar II; Knox – Commissioner Roger Moody; Lincoln – Commissioner William Blodgett; Oxford – Commissioner Steve Merrill; Penobscot – Commissioner Peter Baldacci; Piscataquis – Commissioner James Annis; Sagadahoc – Administrator Pamela Hile, proxy for Commissioner Charles Crosby; Somerset – Administrator Dawn DiBlasi, proxy for Commissioner Lynda Quinn; Waldo – Commissioner Amy Fowler; Washington – Commissioner Chris Gardner; York – Commissioner Sallie Chandler; MACCAM – Administrator Bill Collins; MRDA – Pamela Lovley; MARP - Kathleen Ayers; MSA – Sheriff Todd Brackett; MACT – David Parkman; and MECCA – Owen Smith

OTHERS PRESENT: Commissioner Robin Frost, Somerset; Manager Peter Crichton, Cumberland; Assistant Manager Bill Whitten, Cumberland; Administrator Bob Devlin, Kennebec; Administrator Andrew Hart, Knox; Administrator John O'Connell, Lincoln; Manager Greg Zinser, York; and Sheriff Randy Liberty, Kennebec.

STAFF PRESENT: Rosemary Kulow, Executive Director; Malcolm Ulmer, Risk Pool Manager; and Lauren Haven, Administrative Assistant

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The group said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

III. Approval of the Agenda/Additions

The agenda was approved as presented.

IV. Approval of October 9, 2013 Meeting Minutes

*Comm. McGrane **moved** and Comm. Fournier seconded approval of the October 9, 2013 minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.*

V. **Old Business**

A. Review Proposed Revisions to Bylaws

Comm. Fournier commented that a few minor corrections were suggested by Mgr. Fitzgerald and asked that additional suggestions be sent to Roger Moody and himself throughout November. The final draft will be presented to the Board of Directors for approval at the December meeting, and then circulated to all members for a vote at the January Annual Meeting.

B. Report from Corrections Commission & Discussion about Jails

Comm. Baldacci summarized proposals developed by subcommittees associated with the Corrections Committee. A proposal from Mgr. Crichton's subcommittee recommends four regional jail cooperatives that would aggregate resources to create more efficiency and live within approved funding appropriations. Comm. Baldacci's subcommittee proposes a county-run jail system that establishes a baseline for state funding tied to a cost of living adjustment factor. Another alternative suggested by the Department of Corrections recommends a state-run jail system, although there is very little support for that model among commission members.

Corrections Commission Chief of Staff, Bill Whitten said the commission's report is based on the subcommittees' recommendations which have been prioritized and voted on by commission members. The final report is due to be submitted to the Criminal Justice Committee December 4th, and copies of a draft summary of commission recommendations will be distributed today. After further discussion, President Joy granted a short break for the purpose of reading the aforementioned draft.

Upon reconvening, comments about the draft included an acknowledgement that Title 30A would need to be revised, and Constitution changes may also be required. President Joy remarked that the state would not likely find cost savings that counties couldn't find. Comm. Baldacci interjected that Rod Miller was against the state running of jails because the perceived cost savings might be at the expense of greater liabilities such as understaffing and lack of training. There would be more pressure to risk liability in order to cut costs. President Joy said MCCA should be united in its recommendations and communicate its position to legislators. Comm. Moody agreed, saying MCCA should be part of the solution rather than part of the problem.

C. Risk Pool Assessment Payment to MCCA

Executive Director Kulow mentioned that the 2013 MCCA budget shows revenue in an amount of \$60,000 from the Risk Pool as an assessment and that the \$60,000 had not yet been transferred from the Risk Management Pool to MCCA. She asked whether this amount should be paid. Comm. Moody noted that Howe, Cahill and Company was paid more than \$118,000 per year to manage the risk pool, and that is how the \$60,000 for a half year was determined. Comm. Baldacci remarked that Mr. Ulmer is now the claim handler and Executive Director Kulow is the administrator.

After debate about whether assessments from the Risk Pool should be based on a formula or whether the Risk Pool should share any of its proceeds with MCCA, *Comm. Baldacci made a motion that \$45,000 be paid from the Risk Pool to MCCA for 2013. The motion was seconded by Comm. Joy, but defeated by a vote of 6 in favor and 7 in opposition.*

Comm. Fournier *moved* that a one-time assessment of \$25,000 from the Risk Management Pool to MCCA be approved for 2013 and that a cost allocation formula will determine future assessments. Comm. Fowler seconded the motion, and thirteen votes in favor approved the motion.

VI. New Business

A. Appoint Budget and Finance Committee and Schedule Budget Meetings

After reviewing the list of volunteers to serve on the Budget Committee for the 2014 budget, President Joy appointed the following to the committee: Comm. Steve Joy, Comm. Gary McGrane, Comm. Roger Moody, Comm. George Jabar, Comm. Norman Fournier, Adm. Bill Collins, and Executive Director Rosemary Kulow. The first meeting of the Budget Committee will be at 1:00 pm this afternoon.

B. Authorize MCCA Logo Contest and \$500 Prize for Contest Winner

Motion to authorize a logo contest among Maine schools and approve a \$500 prize was made by Comm. Jabar, seconded by Comm. Thomas Coward, and approved with one vote in opposition.

VII. Reports

A. Executive Director's Report

Motion to place the Executive Director's Report on file was made by Commissioner Baldacci. The motion was seconded by President Joy and approved unanimously.

B. Legislative Platform Report

No report was received at the meeting.

C. Treasurer's Report

Comm. Moody summarized the financial report.

Motion to place the Treasurer's Report on file was made by Administrator Pamela Hile. The motion was seconded by Comm. Baldacci and approved unanimously.

D. Association Reports

No Association reports were provided at the meeting.

E. Board of Corrections Report

Sheriff Todd Brackett from the Maine Sheriffs Association stated that several proposals have been brought to the table in regard to management of the jails and that the MSA's goal is to find efficiencies and cooperate fully. He said sheriffs fully realize that they may have to give up some authority to find a solution to the current problems.

F. Annual Convention Report

Commissioner Sallie Chandler agreed that York will be hosting the 2014 Annual Convention and will ask for help as necessary.

G. NACo Report

Commissioner Peter Baldacci mentioned there would be a winter meeting, possibly in Memphis.

H. Report on Penobscot County’s Joint Effort with Town of Herman for Law Enforcement Supervisory Services

MACCAM Administrator Bill Collins explained a contractual arrangement Penobscot County has with the Town of Herman for law enforcement supervisory services. He provided a copy of the contract to those attending the meeting in case other counties are interested in doing something similar.

VIII. Other Business

No other business was brought before the board.

IX. Adjournment

Motion for adjournment was made by Comm. Baldacci, seconded by Comm. Moody, and approved unanimously at 12:34 p.m. The group adjourned to lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Haven, Administrative Assistant

Date: _____

Attested:

Roger Moody, Secretary

Date: _____