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MMANH Executive Board Meeting 02/21/14

Attendees: Mike Joyal, Donna Nashawaty, Carlos Baia, Elizabeth Dragon, David Owen and Walter Johnson. Absent: Jeanne Beaudin

Meeting called to order by President Mike Joyal at 11:34am.

Minutes of the 01/17/14 meeting were unanimously approved.

Donna provided a FY14 finance report on behalf of Jeanne Beaudin. Receipts for the month of January 14 were 12,470.33 and the checkbook balance as of 1/31/14 was 46,207.16. The budget report was unanimously approved.

Carlos provided an update on the MMNHA's annual conference scheduled for June 18-20th at the Attitash Resort in Bartlett, NH as follows: the deposit was sent on 2/6/14 for the venue, 40 rooms have been reserved for attendees and rates are \$149-179/night based on occupancy, the program presenter is fine with the program changes suggested by the Board last month, the pre-dinner gathering will be outside if weather permitting, free time activities are still being investigated. All thanked Carlos for his efforts in organizing the conference.

Carlos also reported that the notices for the fellowship program are out to cities and towns promoting the program and the application deadline of April 18th. UNH professor Pam Neville is helping spread the word to MPA candidates.

Dave reported on his work on the manager's salary and benefit survey. Dave provided a revised version for 2014 and the committee discussed several questions and made changes. How to manage the results was also discussed and Donna agreed to work with Dave on offering the survey electronically and how the results could be assembled in a useful report form.

Walter reported he is working with Judy from NHMA to mail out the annual membership letters to all non-members in NH. The draft letter was approved by the Board with some minor changes. Mike suggested the mailing list be distributed to the Board members at the March meeting and a follow-up contact be made to those who haven't responded by joining.

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Donna reported on an upcoming UNH MPA program open house.

Mike asked if the Board should consider taking a position of advising the membership about the state of the former Property and Liability Trust now taken over by Health Trust and the impact on cost to communities with the possible dissolution of the coverage group altogether in the future. After discussion it was agreed the Board would take no position on the matter at this time.

Carlos reported an energy broker has contacted the City of Concord about a program that would provide "monetary rewards" back to the city/town or perhaps the association if the group was involved in soliciting new members to join their power purchasing group. The Board has no interest in such a program at this time.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:10PM

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Johnson Secretary