

**MASE Annual Meeting Minutes  
February 23, 2010  
Millenium Convention Center  
Palmyra, ME**

**Ken Stratton, 2009 President, Presided over the meeting.**

**Minutes of 2009 Meeting**

Ken read excerpts from last year's meeting minutes. Moved and seconded to approve, **Passed**

**Treasurer's Report and Budget**

Bill O'Connor, Treasurer, presented the 2009 financial report. It was moved and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report, **Passed**.

It was moved and seconded to donate \$1000 to the Envirothon. **Passed**.

It was moved and seconded to donate \$1000 to the UMO soil judging team. **Passed**.

**Upcoming Dates**

The dates of the upcoming site evaluator exam and field day were presented. They are included in the Feb, 2010 MASE Newsletter. The field exam site has not yet been selected.

Dave Rocque spoke about the upcoming MAPSS/MASE training on Sept 1, 2010 at Saddleback. This is the last session he will be doing the site selection and preparation.

**Election**

The Slate of Officers for 2010 was presented:

President:	Gary Fullerton
Vice-President	Dale Knapp
Treasurer:	Amy Jones
Secretary:	Richard Green
Immediate Past President	Ken Stratton
Director:	William O'Connor
Director:	Bill Noble
Director:	Stephen Marcotte

Moved and seconded to accept the slate as presented. **Passed**.

A \$100 LL Bean Gift Certificate was presented to Ken as appreciation for his efforts.

There was much discussion about increasing the amount of the gift to the outgoing president and stipend for board members. Several motions were made and withdrawn. It was ultimately decided that the board will come up with a plan to help offset board member expenses and present it to the membership for action.

## **Dave Marceau, Education Committee Report**

MASE recognized and thanked Wayne Berzinis of Construction Consultants for the donation for education/training. The grant greatly helps our efforts in continuing education of Site Evaluators.

We have a commitment of \$3000 per year for five years from Eljen and Construction Consultants. This has already been used to improve the field day training session and more training opportunities will be explored. Maine Rural Water, and Unity College have offered land for research and training projects. Experts and trainers will receive some payment at future sessions.

## **Dale Knapp, Wetland Scientists**

Wetland Certification will not pass at this time in the legislature. There will be a meeting with the MDEP and a final hearing with the Business, Research, and Economic Development Committee. Certification may end up taking on a new form outside of the BRED.

## **Russ Martin, Stakeholders Group on Rule Changes**

Audio tapes are available of the meetings. The stakeholders group should pay close attention to make sure that undesirable changes are not made during the current revamping of the rules.

## **Other Meeting Topics**

There was support expressed for providing a scholarship to students to learn site evaluation skills. It was also suggested that contractor training would be beneficial to site evaluators.

Gary asked if the organization should expand to include installers or contractor training. This will be looked into by the board. Mark Cenci commented that the NH organization includes installers as well as designers.

**Meeting adjourned 3:55 pm.**