



State of Maine LOSAP
LOSAP Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2019

Attendees: Bill Gillespie, Fred Brewer, Stephan Bunker, Jeff Brackett and Bill Hussey

Guests: Duane Bickford (Unappointed Board Member)

The meeting was called to order by Bill Gillespie at 10:05

Minutes: Bill Hussey motion to approve Jeff Brackett seconded. All approved.

Chair Gillespie discussed the road trips that we have been on. We had attendance at Piscataquis, Penobscot, York Chiefs and York Firefighters meetings. Good questions have been brought up from department members and chiefs. Still have Somerset, Cumberland, Aroostook meetings to attend. Looking at doing a town hall type meeting in Aroostook. With the focus on that region and having a meeting with department members on a specific topic.

Discussions with the governor have stalled. Currently there is no formal meeting scheduled with the Governor. Discussion with her office has revolved around the funding of the program and figuring out how to get it funded.

Would like to add a link to the website to allow people to find their legislator. We want to add that link to the main page so that firefighters can have an easy way to contact their legislator. We also will add information about the individuals on the Appropriations committee and their contact information. Listing out their email addresses and contact information with a link is the preferred way to setup the website.

We need to get some funding from the Federation, Maine EMS and the Chiefs Association to fund the recurring expenses. Bill Hussey will look into getting sponsorships to help offset some of these expenses. We estimate that we need around \$2,000 to \$3,000 annually to pay for expenses to keep the program going.

Looking at \$20 a month for hosting of up to 20 email addresses on top of the \$25 a month for the website. Bill Hussey approved the expenditure for the email addresses. Addresses will be setup with first initial and last name with the LOSAP URL.

Next meeting is November 18th at MMA's offices.

Stephan Bunker Motion to adjourn at 12:00, Jeff Brackett Seconded, all in Favor.

Respectively Submitted
Frederick Brewer