

Massachusetts Association of Public Purchasing Officials (MAPPO)

Executive Board Meeting Minutes
July 21, 2015
Tuscan Kitchen
24 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA

Executive Board Members Present:

Mary Delaney, Tom Watkins, Sarah Stanton, David Gelineau, Whitney Haskell, Bill Pappas, David Geanakakis, Sheryl Levenson, Angela Allen, Jim McLaughlin

FY16 Budget:

President Mary Delaney presented the proposed FY16 budget. Notable changes include anticipated legal fees to incorporate MAPPO, and insurance costs to protect the organization. The proposed budget also includes a line item for Officer Stipends to be voted at the first regular meeting in September.

Executive Board Chair:

President Delaney proposed amending the bylaws to create the position of "Executive Board Chair." This person will be responsible for effectively communicating issues of importance among members of the Executive Board and the membership.

Voting Procedures:

The Board discussed amending the voting procedures to allow for "absentee" ballots for any vote that would result in a bylaw change.

Legislative Committee:

With the many legislative initiatives currently being contemplated by the organization, the Board discussed restructuring the Legislative Committee so that it operates at the direction of the Board, more specifically at the direction of the Executive Board Chair, to ensure that the interests of the organization are being communicated accurately.

Continuing Education Credits:

Vice President Tom Watkins stated that he will look into the possibility of posting PDFs of members' CEU certificates to the password-protected portion of the website.

Speakers:

The Board discussed the need to infuse new topics reach out to a new group of meeting speakers. Vice President Tom Watkins presented the idea of allowing vendors to speak at meetings, provided they sign an agreement preventing them from using the opportunity to sell their product or take advantage of the membership.

The next Executive Board Meeting is scheduled for August 17, 2015.

President Delaney adjourned the meeting at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Haskell Co-Secretary