

MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC PURCHASING OFFICIALS (MAPPO)

MEETING MINUTES

January 21, 2009, Hosted at Jericho Hill Recreation Area, Marlborough, by Beverly Sleeper

Business Meeting

Elaine Shola, MAPPO president, welcomed everyone and thanked Beverly Sleeper for hosting the meeting.

Guests were introduced as follows: Marie Guerin and Geoff Rogers, guests of Penny Geis, Richard Jones, guest of Marsha Pyles, and Maria Maggio, guest of Joe Piantedosi.

Elaine reminded the members that next month's meeting will be in Norwood on February 11, which is one week early because of the school vacation on our usual meeting date, and will be hosted by Cathy Carney. Also, the date of the June clambake has been changed from June 19 to June 26 so that we can again have it at the Cruiseport.

Elaine then moved to appoint Sheryl Levenson to the MAPPO executive board. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by membership vote. The board now consists of four members: Bill McGowan, Jim McGrath, Dan Doucette, and Sheryl Levenson.

Elaine relayed an offer from Jim McLaughlin to provide a presentation at either a MAPPO meeting or at the spring conference on procurement cards if there was enough interest. The members did not express enough interest to follow up with this idea.

Charlie Simmons requested any updated information on Chapter 193 changes. Dan Doucette was not in attendance, but Norma Collins offered to bring a copy of proposed changes to the next MAPPO meeting.

Joe Piantedosi offered a suggestion that was made to him by his senator that we file home rule petitions via our town meetings to force the legislature to take the existing bill out of committee for vote. Joe offered to provide the specific language to the members by email.

Katharine Sacca asked if any members had detailed terms and conditions printed on purchase orders for use for contracts under \$25,000 without a separate contract. Several members pointed out that local laws would have to be observed as well as the state laws, but nobody is using such preprinted terms right now. John Story suggested that, in the case of a state contract, a letter of award referencing the terms and conditions of that contract could be sent with a copy of the purchase order to the vendor.

There being no other new or unfinished business, the Business Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Katharine Sacca, MAPPO Treasurer