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FEAWM
Full Membership Meeting
December 13, 2007
Blue Bonnet Diner
Northampton, MA 01060

Present: Mary Dowling, VAMC; Joe McDanel, WARB; Patrick Defalco, SSA; Jeff Anliker; David Mendoza, Barnes ANG; Michael Walsh, VAMC; Sherry Walsh, VAMC; Monte Chandler, USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services; Karen Regish, USDA-NRCS; Sandra Adams, USDA-FSA; Linda Repasky, FWS; Laura Szwajkowski, VAMC

1. Minutes:

The Board Meeting minutes of October 24, 2007 were approved as written.

2. Treasurers Report:

Balance in the account as of December 11, 2007 was \$11,162.27. The treasurer's report was accepted as written.

3. Executive Director Vacancy: The Executive Director position is vacant due to the resignation of David Levin. Discussion took place regarding whether this vacancy should be filled.

Action: Place on agenda for next meeting for further discussion.

4. Board Vacancy: Linda Repasky, FWS will be retiring next year, which leaves a Board vacancy. Members were asked to submit nominations.

5. Annual Report: The 2007 Annual Report was presented.

6. Federal Relations Committee: The Federal Relations Committee presented a draft Economic and Agency Profile Survey, an information packet to gather statistics from each Federal agency to expand inter-agency connectivity and communications so that we can better understand each agency's contribution to the public and to establish a forum for dialogue between Federal Agencies and our state and federal elected officials.

The packet includes draft economic information and agency profile worksheets for agencies to complete.

Action: Comments and suggestions were discussed. These will be considered by the Federal Relations Committee in finalizing documents and approach to gather the information. Based on the discussion, both worksheets and the transmittal letter will be revised for review at our next Board meeting.

7. Membership Meetings: There was insufficient time to discuss.

Action: Place on agenda for next meeting.

8. Committee Updates:

Activities: Family Bowling will be held on February 5, 2007 at the Westover Air Reserve Base bowling alley. Pre-registration is not needed. For information contact Michael Walsh at 413-582-3016 or Patrick DeFalco at 413-532-0819 ext. 201.

Awards: No report

Education: A representative from Barnes and VA will be joining this committee.

Federal Relations: No report.

Pay and Benefits: No report.

Website/Public Relations: Karen reported that the website was hacked and has since been reinstated.

Executive Directors Report: No report.

9. Meeting Schedule through March, 2008:

Board Meeting:

January 23, 2008

8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

VA Medical Center, Building 12, Director's Suite Conference Room

Board Meeting:

February 27, 2008

8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

VA Medical Center, Building 12, Director's Suite Conference Room

Full Membership Meeting:

March 27, 2008

8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

VA Medical Center, Building 12, Director's Suite Conference Room

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Recorder: Laura Szwajkowski