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**FEAWM
Board Meeting
February 25, 2009
VAMC Director's Suite Conference Room
Leeds, MA 01053**

Present: Mary Dowling, VAMC; Jeff Anliker; Laura Szwajkowski, VAMC; Mary Rodowicz, VAMC; David Mendoza, Barnes, ANG; Patrick DeFalco, SSA

1. Minutes:

The minutes from October 22, 2008 and December 8, 2008 Full Membership Meetings were approved as written.

2. Treasurers Report:

Balance in the account as of December 31, 2008 was \$7,754.21. The treasurer's report was accepted as written.

3. Committee Updates:

Activities: The Family Bowling event that was held on January 27, 2009 at the Westover Air Reserve Base Bowling Alley was very well attended.

Awards: The Chairperson position for this committee is vacant. Jeff to speak to a representative from Fish & Wildlife for possibly filling this position within that agency. The committee discussed candidates for a speaker at the awards banquet. Mary will call Northwestern District Attorney, Elizabeth D. Scheibel to see if she would be available.

Education: Reviewing options for a retirement, estate planning or financial planning seminars.

Federal Relations: No update.

Pay and Benefits: A proposal will be put together in the spring in preparation for the Albany/Berkshire county locality pay.

Website/Public Relations: The Annual Report and Website Public Relations Mission were reviewed. Send comments to Mary Rodowicz. Also attached are the minutes of 11/18/09.



2008 Annual
Report.doc



FEA PR Committee
Minutes 11.18.08.doc



FEAWM Public
Relations Mission.doc

5. Other:

- Laura will prepare an outline of her duties as secretary for the FEAWM for next meeting.
- Jeff to bring the listing of duties from David Levin as the previous Executive Director.
- An invitation from the National Active & Retired Employees Association (NARFE) was received to attending a 2009 Massachusetts Federation Convention at the Holiday Inn in Holyoke, MA.

6. Next meeting: The next meeting will be held on 3/25/09 at the VA Medical Center. Discussion took place regarding the date/time of meetings. Laura will send an e-mail survey for preference of meetings to members.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Recorder: Laura Szwajkowski