STATE OF MAINE CHAPTER INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ASSESSING OFFICERS Executive Committee Meeting February 13, 2015 * 9:30 a.m. Maine Revenue Services Augusta, Maine

MINUTES

Executive Committee Members in attendance: President Wade Rainey, Vice President Kerry Leichtman (speaker phone), Treasurer Matt Sturgis, Secretary Judy Mathiau, Directors Kyle Avila, Cathy Jamison, Martine Painchaud and Susan Russo; and Nichole Philbrick of the Property Tax Division

Members absent: Past President Helen Taylor

The meeting opened at 9:30 a.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Kyle moved to accept the 1/9/15 minutes as presented, seconded by Matt, all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Matt reported the following balances:

Checking \$3,827.89 Savings \$8,809.11

Matt reported that he is still looking into alternative banking and will acquire a debit card for easier payment transactions.

He also reported that he spoke with the IAAO office regarding non-profit status. They will cover us under their own charter, however we will still need to file a 990N in September.

Kyle moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Cathy, all in favor.

Wade said that he would check into the state requirement as a non-profit and forward his findings to Matt.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education – Kyle reported that we are set for the February 27th meeting and asked Judy to send all members a reminder. He asked what we should do if it snows. The committee agreed that we would just reschedule a later date if necessary. Kyle also said that the 3-D presenters will need to be there early so that they can set up their presentation. Judy agreed to be at the Calumet Club at 7:30 a.m.

Matt will get gift cards for the speakers and Judy will prepare two gift bags with coupons for a free spring meeting and IAAO swag. Wade thought it would be a good idea for the second gift bag drawing to go to a winner only if they had their membership card on them.

Spring Meeting – Wade reported that Keiser Homes had gone through a turn over but that he would confirm our June 5th request to meet at their facility and have a tour. Matt will check out local barbecue caterers.

Legislation – Kerry via speaker phone, reported that next week, the taxation committee will be hearing the governor's budget proposal components including revenue sharing, non-profits and homestead exemption. He also mentioned that non-profits were already contacting him in Rockport with questions.

Membership – Judy reported that we have 116 active members. She recently sent an e-mail to 18 new CMAs with the free membership offer. 7 had since enrolled, although a couple of those had already paid a membership. Those that already paid will be carried forward into 2016.

Audit – Nothing to report.

Nominating – Nothing to report.

Newsletter – Kerry will have the newsletter ready for review by next Tuesday, the 17th with plans to get it to the membership that same day.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bylaws – Judy will provide draft copies of the proposed by-law changes at the winter meeting for membership review. The chapter will then vote on the amendments at the spring meeting. Fresh copies without strikeouts will be provided at that meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chapter Purpose - Kerry – tabled to next committee meeting.

Legislative Update - Matt suggested that we forego our March committee meeting and have a chapter meeting with Geoff Hermon to speak on the status of the governor's budget. Kerry mentioned that Geoff would be speaking at the mid coast meeting in March. It was agreed that we would combine the effort and invite the mid coast assessors to the same presentation. Kerry and Kyle will organize this meeting.

Cathy moved to adjourn at 10:25 am, seconded by Martine, all in favor.