

Massachusetts Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (MAADAC)  
State Meeting (Virtual)

Thursday, October 27, 2022

Present: Joe Kelleher (President), Linda Mullis (Treasurer), John Finneran (Secretary), Tom Crowley, Willy Drinkwater, Shaun Kelly, Linda Mazak, Sue O' Connor, Tom Peltz, Mark Rebello, Ronda Toby Jones.

Agenda & Minutes

1. Motion to accept minutes from last meeting. Passed.
2. Suggestion made to move the meeting to 10:30AM going forward to accommodate several members' schedules.
3. President's Report: Joe reported about the National Meeting. Caitlin Hegwood now in charge of working with the affiliates. Conference well attended. Rhode Island now is an affiliate, working on developing a safe injection site.
4. Treasurer's Report: Linda reported current positive balance in account.
  - Linda reported a bank in Rhode Island with 2.5% interest rate that would keep pace with inflation. Interest rate more favorable than bank in which account is currently located.
  - Discussion about obtaining an i-bond (must keep account for 6 months) rate of 9.75%. More information at [TreasuryDirect.gov](https://www.treasurydirect.gov). Linda will investigate.
  - Maryanne is second signatory on account, question about changing signatory to a member of the Board in case something happens in which Linda is unable to access account. Issue tabled until next meeting, will consider who to add as an additional signatory.
5. Gary Blanchard submitted a letter to the Board to resign from his duties as a member of the Executive and Regional Boards due to health reasons. Board recommended a gift card in the amount of \$50 in recognition of his contributions to MAADAC along with our best wishes for his health to soon improve.
6. Received thank you notes from Gosnold and M.O.R.E. from their participation in the recent Annual Golf Tournament.

7. Annual Meeting and Training: The Annual Meeting will be held virtually on Friday, January 27, 2023. Tanya Gouveia will present on Cannabis. Jessica Gleason and/or Caitlin Hegwood. Students from the AdCare ACE program and the UMASS Counselor Program will be given an invitation to attend the conference free of charge.

8. Awards:

- Counselor of the Year: TBD
- Outstanding Service Award: Denise Adams
- Robert Logue Memorial Award: Tommy Fomalare
- Special Recognition Award: Greg Arsenault: Steven Lynch, Seth Moulton
- Educator of the Year: TBD
- Speakers: Jessica Gleason, Caitlin Hegwood, Maryanne Frangules

Next meeting to be held virtually for 12/6/22 at 10:30 AM. Backup time same date but at 8:45 only if needed.

Prepared 10 27/2022, J. Finneran, Secretary