

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

Thursday, March 28, 2023

Present: Ronda Jones Tobey (President), Linda Mullis (Treasurer), Christine Kelly (Secretary), John Finneran (VP), Martha Deering, Willy Drinkwater, Linda Mazak, Tom Peltz, Nancy Reis (1st VP), Devin Stevenson, Peter Crumb

Agenda & Minutes

1. The meeting was promptly called to order and proceeded with its agenda.
2. Reviewed table invitation at New England Summer Studies at Worcester State University. One day event in the first weekend of June. Martha Deering volunteered to host the table.
3. Discussed Survey question results: gathered 3 responses, which had to do with insurance paneling and LADC I billing issues. Discussed LADC 1 being sued outside their scope of practice. A similar survey was posted by the State Task Force (Addiction Education Advisory group through BSAS) in MA on a community site, which showed overlap to the same issues that the MAADAC survey highlighted.
4. Department of Developmental Services (DDS) regulations update qualified professionals: Now added speech pathologist, physical therapist, but not LADC I. Suggested to bring the issue to the BSAS education group and House of Representatives. Suggested to create a sub-committee to address legislative issues specifically.
5. Annual Golf Tournament: Is scheduled for May 31, 2024. On the website there is a sponsor opportunity sheet (maadac-ma.org).
6. Treasurer's Report- checking account and CD's are in good standing.
7. Motion created to: Contact legislation and draft proposal to inform legislation how important LADC inclusion is with insurance and billing. Motion seconded by Martha Deering.

Next meeting to be held virtually for Thursday, 4/25/2024 at 10:30.

Prepared 4/19/2024 C. Kelly, Secretary

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