



Meeting Notes

March 5, 2021

Attendees: Patrick Hood-ME State Police, Jill Randall-LSE, Jane Margesson- AARP- Maine, Nicole Marchesi- Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Jami Aleksiev- EAAA, Ellen Parent- Maine Credit Union League, Nichole Bilodeau- Maine Bureau of Financial Institutions, Eric Selzer-retired private attorney, Stephanie Ham- ME Office of Securities, Kimberly Snow- Researcher at Muskie School, Vanessa Madore-Maine Savings Federal Credit Union, Andrew Mc, William N. Lund- Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection, Chris Wolff- Elder Abuse Institute of Maine, John Cohen- LPL Financial

Organizational Items (Patrick Hood):

Nominations/Elections for 2021

Co-chairs: Lieutenant Patrick Hood and Judith Shaw

Secretary: Nicole Marchesi

Chair of Education and Awareness Committee: Jill Randall

Meeting notes approved for 12/4/20.

Reviewed Meeting Calendar for 2021 distributed by Stephanie Ham.

Presentation:

William N. Lund, Superintendent, Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection

Please see presentation outline sent out to all members on March 4, 2021.

Overview of Committees and Work Groups:

Education and Awareness Committee (Jill Randall)

- Committee report circulated.
- Committee is focused on elder abuse summit.
- Agenda for summit has been circulated for day one, second day is being finalized.

- If you are Interested in learning more about the committee, please let Jill Randall know.
- World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is coming up will start looking at this soon.

Mandated Reporter Work Group

No updates.

Financial Exploitation Work Group (Pat Hood)

Pending project

SeniorSafe looking at this training on a virtual format.

Multijurisdictional Scams Work Group (Pat Hood)

Resumed working group working to access an effective way to work on scams due to un-known perpetrators. The group is working on ways to spread education and awareness. If you are interested, please contact Stephanie Ham.

Next meeting scheduled for 3/9 at 2pm.

Essay Contest Work Group (Jill Randall)

The council has partnered with GFWC Maine.

Fundraising is done by GFWC raising \$1,000 for the statewide winner.

Graduating high school seniors write an essay on "What is Elder Abuse and why does it matter to them?"

Community Updates:

Chris Wolff- Elder Abuse Institute of Maine

Continuing to serve clients in the pandemic world.

Purchased a couple homes from grants.

Homes in A R cty and Midcoast Maine. Not certain when this will go live. Partnered with APS For clients not served through APS and 4 new advocates being hired through this extension of funds.

Andrew McCormik- US Attorney Office, Elder Justice Coordinator for Maine

Ongoing fraud with calling people and offering vaccines.

PSA recorded and released regarding the dangers of this scam.

Vanessa Madore- Maine Savings Federal Credit Union

Uptick of Microsoft tech calls and letting people know that there was a computer issue and able to get remote access to the computer. Had three individuals scammed by this and had to close those accounts.

Meeting adjourned at 10:27am.

MCEAP Elder Abuse Summit – Virtual

Tuesday, May 11, 2021, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (tentative)

Thursday, May 13, 2021, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (tentative)

Next Council meeting: June 4, 2021 – 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

Via Microsoft Teams

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