

**MINUTES OF THE
MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
October 15, 2014**

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Ram Aberasturia, MAC Chair, sent his apologies as he was not able to attend. Elisa Nahas called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Members were thanked for their participation.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2014 were read by Elisa Nahas. A motion was made to approve the minutes as submitted, and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

MAC Treasurer, Debi Freund, indicated that she was away from the office and was not able to submit a Treasurer's report. Debi also indicated that she is working on the reimbursement request for Managers Day 2014. Once completed, a request will be submitted to the Office of Policy and Management for reimbursement of speakers' honoraria, audio/visual rental, and awards.

Committee Reports

Credentials. Nancy Nicolescu reported that the Representative from Office of Governmental Accountability has left the agency. There was discussion of agencies scheduled to hold elections for MAC Representatives and Alternates for the two-year term beginning on January 1, 2015. On behalf of the Executive Board, Elisa requested that the Credentials Chair, John Jaramillo, send a letter to the Human Resources designees in those agencies, advising them that elections are due. This would be consistent with past practice.

Old Business

Speakers and Logistics. There was discussion of the follow-up presentation regarding retiree health benefits by a representative of the Office of the State Comptroller. Debi Freund indicated that a date has not yet been secured for Dr. Thomas Woodruff to make a presentation to MAC. There was a question about the possibility of a presentation on Ebola in November. Elise Kremer indicated that the Department of Public Health is preparing guidance for state agencies and other entities, and would most likely defer to the guidance rather than making a presentation. Wanda Seldon presented ideas along the lines of personal and professional development. One such idea is compassion fatigue, and the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services may be a resource. Another suggestion was the sandwich generation; AARP, Inc. may be a resource for that topic. Nancy Nicolescu will reach out to the Connecticut Training & Development Network for resources, as well.

Web Content/Communications/Orientation Committee. Nancy Nicolescu reported that the website is up-to-date, except for photographs from Managers Day 2014. The Department of Administrative Services was responsible for the official photographs, and a follow-up can be made through Peggy Zabawar. Nancy' was thanked for her ongoing efforts and for the highly professional appearance of the website.

Report on Managers Day 2014. Elisa reported that the feedback on the event and on the speakers was very positive. Peggy Zabawar will be asked about distributing a survey to attendees. After checking on any potential date conflicts, Elisa will contact the Aqua Turf Club regarding a date for Managers Day 2105. After the first of the new year, a planning committee will be formed to plan for the 2015 event. Wanda Seldon reported that over 600 books were collected, and additional books have been donated today. Debi Freund will look into have a representative from the Department of Children and Families come to the November meeting to accept the books.

Other Old Business. There was no other Old Business.

New Business

Managerial Compensation. There was a question whether salary ranges will be adjusted with the upcoming annual increments. This is a question that the Executive Board will obtain clarification on, prior to the next meeting.

Other New Business. There was no other New Business.

Adjournment

The business meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m. The list of those in attendance at the October 15, 2014 meeting is appended below and is hereby made a part of these minutes.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A at the Department of Transportation.

Respectfully submitted,

Elise Kremer
MAC Secretary
MAC Representative for the
Department of Public Health

MAC ATTENDANCE ROSTER
October 15, 2014

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Rep/Alt/Guest</u>
Administrative Services	Patricia Doyle	G
Children and Families	Debi Freund, Treasurer	R
Comptroller	Stephen Perkins	R
Consumer Protection	Elisa Nahas, Vice Chair	R
Consumer Protection	John Suchy	A
Developmental Services	Carl Jordan	R
Education	Jim Polites	A
Government Accountability	Nancy Nicolescu	A
Insurance	Maura Welch	R
Public Health	Elise Kremer, Secretary	R
Revenue Services	Jim Norton	R
Secretary of the State	Blanche Tucker	A
Social Services	Robert Thornton	R
Transportation	Wanda Seldon	R