

American Baptist Churches of Maine

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Zoom Meeting Minutes December 7, 2024

Present: Peter Neelon - Chair; Al Fletcher, Kathy Saarinen, Pam Carnicelli, Gary York, Sharon Workman, John Anthony, Phyllis Taylor, Jay Noll, Marilee Harris, Debbie LaFlamme, Jeff Woods and Melissa Dennett

CALL TO ORDER: Peter called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Al opening with prayer and devotions.

NEW MEMBERS New members were welcomed. They were Pam Carnicelli as Second Vice President, and Marilee Harris from Damariscotta Association.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Melissa presented the Nominating Committee Report and reviewed the openings for the ABCOM Board, Committee on the Ministry and Annual Meeting Committee.

AUXILIARY REPORTS: Year-end reports and financials were received and sent to Executive Committee members from Baptist Park, Baptist Youth Camp, China Lake Camp, AIM and ABW. It was Moved, Seconded and voted to receive the reports from the auxiliary organizations.

ANNUAL MEETING 2025: Al spoke about the 200th celebration of George Dana Boardman's ordination which will be celebrated through the year with the Annual Meeting in September being a big celebration at Yarmouth Meeting House and First Baptist, Yarmouth.

REMC SURVEY FINDINGS: Jeff Woods, Associate General Secretary of Regional Ministries gave a presentation showing results of a survey that was done with the REMC.

PREVIOUS MINUTES: It was moved, seconded and voted to file the minutes of September 7, 2024 as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: ABCOM Treasurer, Sharon Workman reviewed September statements. The P&L reported investments to date are \$37,734. Total net loss from operations of \$61,564. Unrealized total net gain on investments as of September 30, 2024, is \$106,763. The depreciation to date for 2024 is \$38,900. Total Net Revenue year to date is \$44,033. It was moved, seconded and voted to accept and receive the reports.

INTERNAL REVIEW REPORT: The Internal Review Committee came to the ABCOM office on October 8, 2024 and performed an internal review of the 2023 financial records. "We did not find any material errors in the financial reports for 2023" and had no recommendations.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES FOR 2025: **March 8, May 10, Sept. 6, and Dec. 6, 2025**

STAFF CHRISTMAS THANK YOU GIFTS: In Executive Session, the Executive Committee voted to increase the Christmas Thank You gifts by 5% from last year: full-time - Al (\$630); Melissa Dennett (\$525), part-time - Sharon Workman and Michelle Brown (\$262.50 each).

ADJOURNMENT M/S/V to adjourn.

Next meeting March 8, 2025

Al Fletcher/Melissa Dennett