

American Baptist Churches of Maine

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**Zoom Meeting Minutes May 10, 2025**

Present: Peter Neelon - Chair; Al Fletcher, Kathy Saarinen, Gary York, Sharon Workman, Phyllis Taylor, David Rodrigue, Russ Thayer, Gayle Long, John Anthony and Melissa Dennett

**CALL TO ORDER:** Peter called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Al opening with prayer and devotions.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** It was moved, seconded and voted to file the minutes of March 8, 2025 as written.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** ABCOM Treasurer, Sharon Workman reviewed the financial statements. The P&L reported investments to date are \$12,450. Total net loss from operations of -\$20,985. Unrealized total net gain on investments as of March 31, 2025, is -\$29,409. The depreciation to date is \$13,005. Total Net Revenue year to date is -\$20,985. It was moved, seconded and voted to receive the reports.

**MISSIONS BOOKKEEPER POSITION:** Michelle Brown, ABCOM Missions Bookkeeper will not be working for the rest of 2025. Michelle's 15 year old son Malachi, was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia and will be having treatment for the rest of 2025. Melissa Dennett, ABCOM Administrative Assistant, will continue to make deposits and post the mission giving checks from local churches. Melissa was the Mission Bookkeeper previously and will continue to cover this position until Michelle returns. Melissa will also do monthly closing with ABCUSA. It was m/s/v to continue to pay Michelle monthly and to keep the position open for her to return next year.

**PROPERTY REVIEW REPORT:** David Rodrigue reported from the Property Review Committee.

**China Lake Transition:** Stephanie Hansen has given her notice, she will be resigning at the end of the 2025 camp season, which will leave Gerald House vacant as of September 30, 2025. Dan Washburn will be acting Chair to the CL Board. Property Review Committee will meet with the CL Board as soon as possible to talk about

**Zero Turn Mower:** Exmark Lazor Z mower with 60" deck, commercial grade – purchased for \$10,959. Monies from the Morris Fund were utilized for this purchase.

It was m/s/v to add on a maintenance agreement for \$455/year for maintenance which also includes all fluids, filters and hoses.

It was also m/s/v to purchase a box blade (\$1200-\$1800) to be able to maintain the dirt roads on the property (barn, backfields, driveways and access roads).

It was m/s/v to allow the Property Review Committee to proceed to get quotes for harvesting trees on the property.

**CL Covenant with ABCOM:** Renewal in 2030

**Sukeforth Building:** Doug Sukeforth hired a pressure washing company to pressure wash the Sukeforth Center Building without permission or contacting China Lake or ABCOM. He then asked for reimbursement for which he was denied.

**ABCOM Office Floor:** Muschero Construction will be looking at the ABCOM Office Floor at the end of May or in June, as the walls are separating from each other.

**ADJOURNMENT** M/S/V to adjourn at 9:55 a.m.

Next meeting September 6, 2025

Al Fletcher/Melissa Dennett

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