

American Baptist Churches of Maine

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Zoom Meeting Minutes March 11, 2023

Present: Marlene Everett, Chair; Rob Clapp, Carrie Davila, Debbie LaFlamme, Kathy Saarinen, Phyllis Taylor, Russ Thayer, Gary York, Dave Rodrigue, Deb Kiker, Rick Hansen, Al Fletcher, Melissa Dennett

Absent: Gayle Long, Sharon Workman

CALL TO ORDER Marlene called the meeting to order. Al opened with devotions and prayer. New members were welcomed.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT Melissa presented the Nominating Committee Report showing each Association's Board and committee positions open for 2023 voting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES The minutes of November 29, 2022 meeting were moved to be accepted as written, seconded and voted.

TREASURER'S REPORT Rob presented the report from the Treasurer. It was moved to accept the report as written, seconded and voted.

PROPERTY REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT Dave reported the CL Board is moving forward with receiving quotes for repairing the barn. On 11/11/22 met with the China Lake Association and the China Lake Alliance to discuss Fire Road 5 and what to do to improve the lower level by Williams Cottage. CL Camp and Property Review Committee will talk with owners on the road for donations in correcting the road level. The Superintendent's house will need to have the septic tank pumped this year. The motion to give permission to find the septic tank this summer was moved, seconded and voted. Williams Cottage is in need of repairs. It was moved to turn the 2% back to CL Camp and encourage the use of those funds to help with the repairs necessary to Williams Cottage. It was seconded and voted.

CHINA LAKE \$15M CAPITOL FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN A plan was presented by the Chairman of the China Lake Board, Deb Kiker, for the ABCOM Executive Committee's information and input and that the Property Review Committee, the ABCOM Officers, and the Officers of the China Lake Board and their directors will meet to flesh out the plan and continue to oversee its implementation upon its approval by the ABCOM Executive Committee. The Executive Committee would like to have its representatives walk through the property to assess the condition of the property and to see the challenges facing China Lake Camp. The Covenant between ABCOM and China Lake as well as the ABCOM Gift and Investment policies will be used to help guide this China Lake Camp fundraising effort.

ABCOM OFFICE OPEN HOUSE A general date of May or June was suggested for the open house. It will depend on the ability to clear out the church of boxes from the move. It was also suggested to request volunteers to help with moving of the boxes once organized.

SELDON PROPERTY All documents are with Steve Hayes. Waiting for the next steps in the sale of the property.

WEBSITE UPDATE Melissa reported the progress of the ABCOM website. She has been working on the appearance as well as updating content. All committees now have their own pages which they may populate with information and resources applicable to the committee. Any updates or resources that may be added are to be sent to Melissa and she will make the updates and/or uploads.

Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and voted. Russ Thayer closed in prayer.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES May 6, Sept. 9, and Dec. 2, 2023

Al Fletcher/Melissa Dennett