

**Maine Division Society of American Foresters**  
**Executive Committee Meeting**  
**September 30, 2020 (Approved 11/4/20)**  
**Zoom Call**

On Call: Carol Redelsheimer, Bill Livingston, Laura Audibert, Kyle Burdick, Bob Cousins, Ron Lemin, Ken Laustsen, Karl Honkonen, Tony Filauro (8:17 AM).

Absent: Kirby Ellis, Tom Coleman, Nicole Rogers.

Carol began the meeting at 8:07 AM. Items to be discussed: Fall Meeting—Hybrid or all virtual?

**Fall Meeting**

Carol reported that there are currently 29 on-site registrants, including one speaker and some EC members. The net income for this point would be ~\$660. If we switched to all virtual, the net would be ~\$950 (no food or parking fees).

The group discussed the situation at length. The seating at Wells would likely be one person per table. In-person Interactions would be limited to 6' apart and masked. Only one speaker would be presenting on site. Bill noted that students are tired of watching classes in their dorms and would welcome a chance for a different venue. Ken plans to announce the NESAF award winners, but not present the plaques until the 2021 NESAF meeting in Springfield, MA.

Each member of the group voiced their format choice and the results were 3 for on-site, 3 for virtual and 3 would be on-site only by obligation. This was essentially a 6-3 result in favor of all virtual. The group would like to host a get together as soon as restrictions allow.

<Ron left the meeting at 8:47 AM, Karl left at ~9:00AM>

**Bill** will set up the Zoom meeting in a classroom and invite students to come there in person. **Ken** could come and do the NESAF awards from this classroom on camera.

**Carol** will draft an email to send to the membership with the ballot info. Laura will email the on-site registrants and offer them a full refund if they do not switch to virtual attendance. Refunds will be made via PayPal or by check. **Laura** will take the on-site registration options off the online registration form. **Bill** will cancel the contract with Wells and cancel the parking permit.

**Bill** will try to give Bob C, Carol and Nicole “host” status for the Zoom meeting, which will allow them to manage the meeting if necessary.

Bill noted that our budget may not allow us to pay for all first-year student SAF memberships. **Bill** and **Carol** will connect about the budget separately.

Laura left the meeting at 9:24 AM, the meeting adjourned shortly afterward.

Submitted by

*Laura*

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