

# MABA Minutes

November 8, 2010  
Bowdoin College Library

## **Members Present**

Harland Eastman, Priscilla Juvelis, John Ring, Joanna Reese, Vanessa Reese, Craig Olson, Ogden Williams, Robert Sezak.

## **Guests**

Monique & Jerry Collins, Kennebunkport; Norma Eliason, Waterville.

## **Call to Order**

Vice President Joanna Reese called the meeting to order at 10:05 and asked that everyone go round the table and introduce themselves.

## **Nomination of Officers**

Robert Sezak made a motion to vote on the nomination of John Ring as President of the MABA to fill the remaining term of Ian Kahn. Passed unanimously. Ring's term will continue through the November 2011 meeting, nominations for the next term will take place at the in May 2011 meeting and will be voted on at the November 2011 meeting.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Sezak reported that MABA has slightly over \$6,000 in its account.

## **Old Business**

### Web Site

After considerable discussion of the need to revitalize the MABA web site, Sezak made a motion to allocate not more than \$2,000 to update the web site. Seconded by Juvelis. Passed unanimously.

### Member Directory

Joanna Reese will work with Robert to see if JS McCarthy Printers will be able to mail the brochures directly to members. Juvelis asked if the web person or the graphic designer for the brochure could generate mailing labels for the printer so that they can be mailed directly. Sezak believed they could. Sezak reported that MABA spends approximately \$3,000 for 15,000 copies and that would be the number of copies ordered for 2011. Olson reported that, according to its website, McCarthy does drop ship. Motion by Juvelis to have Sezak have the member directly printed and distributed by the printer if the cost does not exceed not to exceed a 20% increase over last year's costs. Seconded by Joanna Reese. Passed unanimously.

### MABA Google Group Account

Sezak questioned access to the MABA Google Group Account. Ring said that he would contact Ian Kahn to get the login and administrative information.

### New Members

Olson distributed the application of Seven Sisters Antiques, Richard & Kathleen LaRocco and note that the application was complete except for two recommendations to the Board from MABA members. Juvelis made the motion to approve their membership application, pending receipt of check for their membership fee and at least two recommendations from MABA members in good standing. Second by Ring. Passed unanimously.

### Book Fair

Eastman asked if there was going to be another book fair. After considerable discussion of the need for a fair in Maine, Eastman pointed out that Garry Austin of Austin Books in Vermont coordinated a very good show this fall in New Hampshire and wondered if he might be available. Juvelis noted that the promoter needs incentive and it might make sense to split the gate three ways: Maine Historical Society (or another co-sponsor), MABA, and the promoter. Juvelis and Eastman will advise the committee on finding a promoter. Hopes were for a September fair or October prior to Columbus Day.

### **New Business**

#### Additional Meeting

In order to provide more in-person interaction for members, Juvelis suggested that MABA add a winter meeting in Portland. The additional meeting could take place prior to the Baxter Society's monthly meeting. Juvelis added that it shouldn't be a problem to find a room in which to meet at the Glickman Library at the University of Maine where the Baxter Society meets the second Wednesday of every month, September-May. Motion by Ring to add an additional winter meeting prior to the Baxter Society meeting. Seconded by Vanessa Reese. Passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m. for a presentation by Richard Lindemann, Director of the George J. Mitchell Department of Special Collections & Archives at the Bowdoin Library on the Library's holdings and collections focus.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig R. Olson  
Secretary