

Maine Seafood Alliance Directors  
November 24, 2009  
9:30 A.M. DERC&D Cherryfield  
**Meeting Minutes**

Present: Dan Rogde, Steve Beatham, Albert carver, Ginny Olsen, Cecil Wood, Gary Edwards

Item 1 Financial update:

**MSA Finances November 24, 2009**

Beginning Balance 1-1-09	\$9,384.76	
Revenue:		
New member	<u>500.00</u>	(Eastern Maine Mussel – Jeff Jewett)
Sub total	\$9,884.76	
Expenses:		
Legal fees	110.00	
ISSC expenses	<u>1,500.00</u>	
Sub total	\$1,610.00	

Balanced 11-24-09 \$8,274.76

Note: it was decided to send out dues requests for 2009 and 2010 in mid January.

Item 2 ISSC update-Ginny:

Ginny passed out a summary of the 2009 conference (copy attached) There was some discussion about specific concerns for Maine.

Item 3 Rain Gauge update-Gary & Ginny:

Both Ginny and Gary have had several discussions with DMR staff about the donation of automatic rain gauges to help better determine rain fall amounts to aid with closing areas. We have been given preliminary information but not enough to go ahead with a purchase.

Item 4 Legislative update Gary & Ginny:

Currently there is only one bill on the agenda. It has to do with lobster trap limits in Hancock County. Speculation is that this will be a busy session dealing with the State's budget shortfalls.

Item 5 Next steps for MSA:

Gary passed out draft copies of two industry surveys, one for current members and one for non members. There was some discussion and Gary will make some changes and send out in late December.

Next meeting December 8 at 9:30 AM in the Sullivan Town Office (1888 US Highway One, Sullivan – about 1 mile East of the Hancock-Sullivan bridge and about ½ mile West of Dunbar's Store)