Virtual MASSACHUSETTS ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST Board Meeting

Thursday, August 28, 2025, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Meeting Link: https://zoom.us/j/94064231270?pwd=xerRitYUEIKklhZlavdja1P5y8W9Fd.1

Meeting ID: 940 6423 1270; Passcode: 363154

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Introductions R.J. Lyman, Chair
- 2. Vote on the August 1, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- 3. MET Operations Update
 - Contract with Marketing Firm Shields Design
 - Donations
 - Updated website
 - Corporate Sponsors & Individual Donors Review the Pitch
 - Brand Licensing Agreement with other entities for use of our brand in exchange for funding/donations
 - Grants Update
 - Blackstone Valley Plate Review
 - MET Bylaws Update

4. Board Engagement

- Jeff Porter/Vikki Spruill: Whale Watch and Boating Companies as part of our Marine Mammal Conservation. Next Steps?
- Rob O'Leary: Meeting with Paul Niedzwiecki (Cape Cod Commission) and Kristy Senatori (Cape Cod Chamber)
- Vikki Spruill: Collaborate with Mass Cultural Council to secure funding to create public art featuring marine mammals and other aquatic resources that also in turn promotes the MET
- RJ Lyman & John DeVillars: Individual Donors and other Foundations
- John DeVillars Reach out to renewable energy companies (Vineyard Wind and Avangrid)
- RJ Lyman/Vikki Spruill: Reach out to the Massachusetts Community Foundations Partnership that includes 15 Community Foundations across Massachusetts.
- Finalize Task groups: assign lead and membership of Fundraising and Marketing task groups

5. Other Business

2025 Board Meeting Schedule

Thursday September 18, 2025	Virtual, 2:00-3:00 pm
Thursday October 23, 2025	Virtual, 2:00-3:00 pm
Thursday November 20, 2025	In-Person TBD (Westborough/Southborough)
Thursday December 18, 2025	Virtual, 2:00-3:00 pm