

## CONTINUING EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
**Board of Registration**  
**of**  
**Hazardous Waste Site Cleanup Professionals**  
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### CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting on March 29, 2018

Approved on April 26, 2018

**Prepared by:** Beverly Coles-Roby

**Meeting Location:**

**MassDEP NERO**  
**205B Lowell Street**  
**Wilmington, MA 01887**

**List of Documents Used at the Meeting:**

1. Agenda
  2. Draft Minutes of Meeting on February 21, 2018
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1. **Call to Order:** Co-chairperson Farooq Siddique called the meeting to order at 12:32 p.m. The Board members in attendance were Maria Pinaud, Debra Listernick, James N. Smith, Marc J. Richards, Gregg McBride, Dr. Gail Batchelder, and David Austin. Board member Kathleen Campbell arrived at 12:38 p.m. Board member Kirk Franklin was absent. Staff members present were Beverly Coles-Roby and Lori Williamson. Wendy Rundle, Executive Director of the LSP Association ("LSPA"), and Wes Stimpson of WES Associates were also present.
  2. **Previous Minutes:** The draft minutes of the meeting held on February 21, 2018, were approved as amended. Board member Dr. Gail Batchelder abstained from voting to approve the minutes.
  3. **Old Business:** None

#### 4. New Business:

The Committee discussed a LSP's recent communication regarding the dearth of available seats for LSPs attending MassDEP courses. Mr. Austin indicated that there is an upcoming MassDEP course worth four credits scheduled for April 2018. Mr. Smith added that Ms. Williamson documents the available credits. Dr. Batchelder noted that the LSP is correct in that MassDEP courses fill to capacity quickly. She posited that it may be a question of venue. Ms. Listernick said that a MassDEP course is being repeated next week. Mr. Richards agreed saying that there are plenty of courses but not enough seats. He added that the issue may be non-LSPs who also attend MassDEP courses. Ms. Rundle indicated that with this issue it may be helpful to send out email blasts about why courses are size-limited. She went on to state that MassDEP decides the number of seats for a particular course. She suggested that the LSPA and the Board could write something together that responds to this question. She also broached the idea that some courses could possibly be limited to LSPs. She told the Committee that it is not so difficult to obtain the credits. It is however, difficult to get into some courses. This is especially true she noted, for LSPs who wait until close to their Renewal date to obtain their MassDEP credits. Mr. Smith asked whether MassDEP could commit to reoffering high-demand courses every six to twelve months. Ms. Coles Roby said that she would set up a meeting with the necessary parties to discuss the issue. She also told the Committee that she had forwarded a standard reply to the LSP informing him that the matter is not within the LSP Board's control, but that it would work to address the issues he raised.

With respect to the course, *Back-to-Basics Part 1: Developing the CSM & Site Characterization Plan*, Mr. Siddique asked whether Ms. Williamson had totaled the number of hours. Ms. Listernick responded that the course was more than four hours, and the breaks could be counted. Mr. Smith said the course should therefore be approved for 5 ½ hours.

Mr. Siddique asked if the *Low Flow Sampling and Hydraulic Conductivity Analysis* course was an on-line course. Ms. Williamson informed him that it is not an on-line course.

- **Course Approval Requests:**

- A. NEWMOA: *Back-to-Basics Part 1: Developing the CSM & Site Characterization Plan* (5.5 Technical credits, March 27, 2018, Lebanon, NH, March 28, 2018, Lowell, MA, and March 29, 2018, Danielson, CT) **Recommend Approval.**
- B. EPOC: *Low Flow Sampling and Hydraulic Conductivity Analysis* (4 Technical credits, June 5, 2018, Storrs, CT) **Recommend Approval.**
- C. LSPA: *Oil and Sediment Toxicity: Characterizing an Oil Site* (1 Technical credit, April 17, 2018, Taunton, MA) **Recommend Approval.**
- D. MassDEP: *Briefing from the Statewide Leadership Team of the MassDEP Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup* (2 DEP Regulatory credits, April 3, 2018, Westborough, MA) **Recommend Approval.**

**5. Future Meetings: April 18, 2018--MassDEP Boston**

**6. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:50 p.m.