

## CONTINUING EDUCATION MINUTES



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### CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting on November 15, 2017

Approved on January 31, 2018

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**Meeting Location:**

**MassDEP Boston  
One Winter Street  
Boston, MA 02108**

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

1. Agenda
  2. Draft Minutes of Meeting on October 25, 2017
  3. LSP Board Approved DEP Credits October 2014-October 2017
  4. MassDEP Continuing Education Credits Offered Fiscal Year 2007-2017
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1. **Call to Order:** Co-chairperson David Austin called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m. The Board members in attendance were Maria Pinaud, Debra Listernick, Kirk Franklin, James N. Smith, Marc Richards, and Gregg McBride. Board members Farooq Siddique, Kathleen Campbell and Dr. Gail Batchelder were absent. Staff members present were Beverly Coles-Roby and Lori Williamson. Wes Stimpson of WES Associates and Susan Fessenden of MassDEP were also present.
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2. **Previous Minutes:** The draft minutes of the meeting held on October 25, 2017, were approved as amended. Board member David Austin abstained from voting to approve the minutes.
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3. **Old Business:** None

## 5. New Business:

Ms. Williamson informed the Committee that she had updated the list of LSP Board Approved DEP Credits dated October 2014-October 2017.

### Course Approval Request:

- Massachusetts Chemistry & Technology Alliance: Chemistry Matters: Management, Handling & the State of the Science (3 Technical credits, December 14, 2017, Sturbridge, MA) **Recommend Approval 2 Technical credits.**

Ms. Listernick questioned the relevance of the course, Chemistry Matters: Management, Handling & the State of the Science, to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan. Mr. Austin agreed. Mr. Smith said that he thought the course seemed interesting. Mr. Austin suggested that the Committee focus on the provider's letter which on page one, fourth bullet point, explained why the course might be relevant. Ms. Listernick stated that the third hour of the course seemed to be a bit of a stretch. Mr. McBride indicated that the course does have some relevance to the industry. Mr. Austin noted that the Committee has never approved courses having to do with hazardous waste. Mr. Richards suggested that the Committee approve the course for two hours or whatever it thinks is reasonable. Ms. Listernick opposed approving the course. Ms. Williamson asked which two hours of the course were being approved. Mr. Austin said that if a LSP attended the whole morning he/she would be entitled to two hours of Continuing Education credit. Mr. Franklin concluded that the course should be approved for assessment purposes because it fits within the realm of LSP work.

### Course Re-Approval Request:

- Enviro Workshops: Remediation Workshop 2017 (4 Technical credits, November 7, 2017, Dedham, MA, November 9, 2017, Corona, NY) (Course No. 1604) **Recommend Approval.**

Ms. Williamson said that Enviro Workshops seeks re-approval of Remediation Workshop 2017 due to a change in faculty, which she asserted was not enough of a significant change to warrant re-designating the course with an "A" or "B." She added that the course was originally approved in approximately May 2017. The Committee voted to recommend approval of the course after the fact, if the provider maintained attendance records and followed the Board's regulations.

- NEWMOA: Combining Technologies to Improve Remediation Outcomes (5.5 Technical credits, November 14, 2017, Danielson, CT, November 15, 2017, Lowell, MA, November 16, 2017, Lebanon, NH)(Course No. 1614) **Recommend Approval.**

The NEWMOA course, Combining Technologies to Improve Remediation Outcomes, also required re-approval because of a change in faculty.

**Announcement:**

- MassDEP will be offering a repeat of Course #1610 *Enforcement Basics, As Applied To M.G.L. ch. 21E and the MCP* on December 7, 2017 at the Boxboro Regency, Boxboro, MA (2 DEP Regulatory credits)

Ms. Fessenden commented that she was looking forward to working with the LSPA, reviewing various software packages for on-line courses. The on-line capabilities would allow young professionals who often cannot get into courses to enroll, she said. Mr. Austin stated that the venture dovetails nicely with proposed regulation changes to the Board's Continuing Education course requirements. Ms. Fessenden also said that some courses lend themselves well to on-line format. Ms. Coles-Roby offered the assistance of LSP Board staff.

**5. Future Meetings: January 17, 2018--MassDEP CERO**

**6. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:46 p.m.