VALA BOD ZOOM Meeting Minutes

**Wednesday, August 9th, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.**

The meeting began at 9:30 AM with board members Lisa Wright, and Cheryl Tudhope Lisa Truchon present. Jacob Dorman spent time leading up to the meeting establishing the quorum. It was verified with the following delegates or alternates present: **Addison:** Absent; **Bennington:** Absent; **Caledonia:** Larry Willey; **Chittenden:** Karen Lemnah; **Essex:** delegate vacancy, no rep; **Franklin:** Absent; **Grand Isle:** Sue Lawrence **Lamoille:** Terri Sabens Alternate: **Orange:** Mimi Burstein **Orleans:** Absent; **Rutland:** Marcia Chioffi **Alternate: Washington:** Absent; **Windham: Alternate**: Linda Sherman**;** **Windsor:** Stacey Bradley **Alternate:** Cristina Tardie

Present via Zoom – Elizabeth Curran, Todd Leblanc, Bob Quaderer, Cheyenne Latimer, John Kerr, Meg Eberhardt, Bob Vickery, Russ Collins,, Amy Couture, Christopher Landin, Patrick Santoso, Jed Rubin, Jen Myers, Chloe Wexler, Teri Gildersleeve, Theresa Gile, Susan Gulrajani, GALEN VT, Joe Turner,

**Minutes Approval:** The minutes from the prior meeting have not been completed for approval.

**Treasures Report:** Lisa Truchon noted VALA has spent 1000 dollars then we took in this year. Still in sound fiscal shape.

**Legislative Committee:** VLCT was unable to attend the meeting. VALA needs a proactive approach to participation in H.480 study.

**Annual Conference Committee:** Agenda posted, some sponsors posted hoping a few more to sign up. Phyllis to do door prizes. Agenda flushed out**.** 63 attendees registered 6 sponsors/exhibitors. $300 gift card door prize. May cut back on a meeting room from 4 to 3.

**Membership Committee:** Cheyenne Latimer new secretary prospect. Membership is down. Registered for 2023 31 member towns 3 member business 272 potential member towns last year 120 total members. Website has been updated with membership.

**Education Committee:** Numbers are way down in education more non Vermonters signed up for classes then Vermonters.

**PVR Report:** Terri Gildersleeve reported for PVR. Trainings/Classes upcoming. Summary of upcoming courses and short descriptions. Legal Chats with Charlie canceled. No Summer Committee Reports not due until 2024. Patrick Santoso gave an Axiomatic update.

**New Business:** No NEMRC updates. Newsletter no new big news to report. Next deadline for Newsletter is October. Discussion of name change for VALA.

**Adjourned:** Motion to adjourn the meeting from Jacob Dorman, Cheryl Tudhope seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at promptly 10:45 AM.   
  
Respectfully submitted, secretary, Jacob Dorman