

## ACTEM minutes January 2005

### Introductions – Augusta, Falmouth, Presque Isle

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The meeting began with information for the members:

1. Vendor, Elizabeth Fuller from Questia

research tool – online library – has built in editing tools  
handouts can be obtained by email to Beth, trials available  
<http://www.questia.com> 207-439-3772

Free for all faculty in a school.

2. MEDMS – John McCue / Bill Hurwitch

This week an update is coming out. Staff is complete. Student at 87% for IDs. about 76% enrolled. Bugs: apostrophes, better editing for concurrent enrollments. Next step to work on is for student exiting school. MEA online training has used MEDMS data. Special Education data will be part of the schema next year.

Focus group sbeing formed – Assessment taskforce re-starting and a Technical group.

Assessment module is being started this month for development and should be ready by summer.

Hint - to get a clean file of state ids – re-upload everything and get RTL file.

Finance module is still being studied.

3. Roundtable discussion -

Essential Programs and Services – numbers went out to Superintendents with forecasts  
Informational Number #73

$175 * .84 * \text{student\_count}$  this is a required technology spending

4. MLTI – content meetings beginning at end of January see [mainelearns.org](http://mainelearns.org)

5. Big event – January 24-25 Education, Technology and the Future of Maine Economy at Augusta Civic Center (workforce development)

Alan November, Seymour Pappert some of the speakers cost \$125

ACTEM support - John Lunt moved to sponsor by \$1000 Bruce Sawyer 2<sup>nd</sup>

Discussion: implies 4 tickets to event and 1 seat at Governor's reception

Vote: 12 for 1 opposed 4 abstain

6. Drummond and Woodsen – input on technology legality conference . ACTEM requests another conference.

7. ATM information – presently 85 ATM sites. There are 45 – 50 high school classes being run [www.mainedistancelearningproject.org](http://www.mainedistancelearningproject.org)

25-30 college graduate classes; Adult Ed classes starting with 5 presently offered; the 471 template is coming out very soon; Training is being offered for staff – contact Steve V. Some equipment may be moved to new sites if not being used.

8. Refurbished computers may be available (and they will update older machines with free labor) contact: Darryl Lee at Windam Correctional Center

9. Business Meeting

Betsy Caswell – members 148 district/ 160 individual 331 on listserv

\$106,720.84 CHECKBOOK balance

Betsy is gone Jan 22 – Feb. 14

Software vendors approached ACTEM – Computer Associates, Ezedia, Questia, NetTrekker, CrickSoftware (\$99 media pack / \$25 license if we get 10 schools or 250 licenses),

PrintRecovery Concepts has asked to setup a table of goodies and “push his product” (no interest)

10. State Conferences 2004 2 day conference Both days were successful

Possibilities for vendor area on second day

2004 Friday: 20 university students - 380 at \$75 and 165 at \$65 total: \$43,750

vendor amounts: \$22,729 54 vendors Overall \$66,479 Expenses not yet totaled.

Civic Center, Geiger Bros., Brochures, etc. about \$30,279

75 presentors Friday and 50 on Saturday

Saturday – 145 students (23 districts), 2 teacher presentors, 34 teachers/parents -- \$4,575

2005 Planning Committee – 2 days next year? John and Betsy will continue

Diana Summers moved for 2 days, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Brandt vote: unanimous

2005 is the last year for both John and Betsy, Gary L. proposed a “shadow” for the next Conference chair. This is a paid stipend of \$2,000, planning committee, brochure plans, session planning, layout of conference, assisting with conference days. Interested, please email Gary.

John Moved – Asst. Chairs at \$500 be created with expectation of becoming next year's Chair contingent on selection of Executive Committee Vince 2<sup>nd</sup>

Voted – unanimous

11. Professional Development – Federal Titles were cut V and IID – handout on wording change was distributed. To date, \$4,200 paid out \$2,000 pending

12. Educator of the year -same chair as last year. Newsletter handed out.

13. Next meeting March 21