**SEMAP Board Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday September 16, 2014 - 6:30PM**

How on Earth, Mattapoisett, MA

Attendees (Board & Staff\*): Ashley Brister, Derek Christianson, Fred Dabney, Sue Guiducci, Kendra Murray\*, Andy Pollock, Todd Sandstrum, Jason Wentworth\*, Ben Wolbach

Advisory Members & Guests:

Absent: Margie Baldwin, Jennifer Marshall Grantham

**Meeting Agenda**

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* Brief Networking & Programmatic Update
  + Buy Local Groups, Farm Bureau, SEMALA
  + Fall Potlucks & Dinners
  + Winter Networking Meeting – January 26, 2015
  + Ag & Food Conference – February 28, 2015

**Upcoming**

* + Bristol County Ag High School
  + Farm Fresh RI
  + Food Routes
  + Island Foundation (Carrot Project, New Entry, Red Tomato)
  + Kim Houdlette, AD Makepeace
  + BCC, TTOR, & Other Allies
  + Mass in Motion NB & Wellness Initiative
  + SE MASS Food Security Network
* Financial Update:  Including Development Calendar
  + Secure Financially through the end of the FY (and into mid-2015)
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* \*Review of March Planning Session & Our Work Going Forward

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**Future SEMAP Board Meeting Dates (& Other Important SEMAP Dates)**  
**October SEMAP Board Meeting – Tuesday October 21st ?? at 7PM at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Nov (Annual Mtg)** - Thursday November 6th - Location TBA

**December SEMAP Board Meeting – Tuesday December 16 at 7PM at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or**

**Wednesday December 10th for Appeal Mailing**  
  
**2015 Dates**

*(no meeting scheduled in January, if we pass a FY15 Budget in December)*

*January time will be focused on committee work*  
January 26, 2015 - Winter Networking Meeting - Location & Time TBA  
**February Board Meeting**  
February 28, 2015 - SEMAP Ag & Food Conference  
**March Board "Retreat"**

**April Board Meeting**  
*(no meeting scheduled for May)*  
**June Board Meeting (conference call)**

*(no meeting scheduled for July)*

**Aug (informal board dinner?)**  
**Sept Board Meeting**

**Oct Board Meeting & "Retreat"  
Nov (Annual Meeting)  
December Board Meeting**