

MRC Finance Committee Minutes

11/21/2025

Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Debra Poulin (Chair), Pat Kimball, Paul Vinsel, Tess Parks, Todd Brackett

Staff Present: Grayson Havens, Chasity Tuell, Elizabeth Fortier, Brendan O'Neil

Summary of Action Items

Deb will present 2 months finance reports at the December meeting

MRC should discuss funding SSP's after current 2 year grant cycle

Tess and Todd will work on proposal for emergency funding to be presented to Program and Grants committee

Elizabeth will prepare summary of current information on financial reporting from grantees.

Budget and Funding

Usual finance reports not available. Deb plans on presenting 2 months of reports at the December meeting.

Office of the Attorney General has posted spreadsheet of actual payments made to Maine entities from the settlement funds, available on the AG's website. MRC has received \$6.6million in 2025, and total \$41.8million since inception.

School district funding has received \$199,000 in 2025 and \$1.2million since inception.

The committee working on school funding will have meeting on 12/5/2025 at 2-4:30pm at the DHHS building in Augusta, and by zoom.

Estimates of funding to Maine from the Purdue/Sackler settlement are:

State of Maine total \$26million over 10yrs

MRC \$13million over 10yrs

Implementation Updates

Deb is working on presentation of what is in the pipeline already committed, and what is currently available.

Contract Updates

Over December-January all the year 2 payments for SSP's are due.

MRC continues working through the York County payments

Pat requests the MRC make decision of whether to continue funding SSP's after the 2 year awards are complete, or put this out as RFP's.

Todd brought up concern that MRC does not have protocol to get money out in emergency situations. This has been brought up in the past but has not been thoroughly discussed. Program and Grants committee would be responsible to create a protocol. Tess volunteered, with assistance from Todd, to research and write a proposal to bring to the Program and Grants committee. Because of state contracting requirements, funds coming from MRC are delayed. It was discussed whether MRC could contract with another private agency to send out money when it is approved by MRC.

Elizabeth discussed that some grantees have questions about financial reporting, and no cost extensions. Pat would like a summary of what information we currently have on financial reporting from grantees.

The next finance committee meeting will be December 19.