



**Minnesota Newspaper Association  
Board of Directors  
Minutes, Aug. 19, 2025**

**Email vote**

**Email vote:** Justin Lessman, Jackson; Tara Brandl, Tracy; Steve Jameson, Mankato; Ted Almen, Kerkhoven; Kelly Boldan, Willmar; Tim Douglass, Glenwood; Bill Albrecht, APG; Crystal Miller, Albert Lea;

MNA dues task force members Justin Lessman, Kelly Boldan, Steve Jameson and Bill Albrecht met in Cannon Falls June 27, 2025, following the summer board meeting to discuss implementing a new MNA dues structure.

- The task force recommendation to the board is to freeze current dues again and add 4 percent across the board for 2026.
- At end of 2025, the dues task force would like to review current circulation/dues data, with the goal of overhauling the dues structure for the next year
  - Goal is to have plan for approval by board at April 2026 board meeting
  - Dues structure could be presented to members as such: Base rate + Public notices website rate + Legal hotline rate

In an Aug. 19, 2025, email vote the dues task force recommendation was unanimously approved on a MOTION by Brandl, second by Almen.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Hills

Executive Director

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