

Appendix I
NHM Dues Subsidy Policy

New Hampshire Mensa may provide a subsidy for yearly American Mensa, Ltd. (AML) dues to individuals who demonstrate a need for such a subsidy and who are

1. current members in good standing, or
2. former members not under any sanction, or
3. persons who have been offered membership.

The Dues Subsidy Fund shall be funded by donation and handled by the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall report the balance in the Dues Subsidy Fund to the Ombudsman at the beginning of each membership year.

Any applicant for a dues subsidy must submit an application to the Ombudsman. The application should be in the form of a written communication to the Ombudsman explaining the applicant's need for a subsidy, the amount of the subsidy being requested, and the applicant's history of service to New Hampshire Mensa and/or AML, if any. The Ombudsman will respond in writing to each applicant within thirty days of receiving the request, with either a decision or a request for more information.

The annual amount of each individual subsidy will be determined by the Ombudsman, based on the Ombudsman's determination of the applicant's need as well as whether the applicant participates or volunteers in Mensa activities, and any limitations the applicant has with regard to participation. The subsidy will be limited to between 25% and 75% of the annual dues payable to AML in that membership year. Every individual dues subsidy shall be considered a one-time award. A new application must be submitted for each AML dues year.

Upon approving a subsidy, the Ombudsman shall

1. inform the applicant in writing both of the approval and the amount of the subsidy
2. determine an appropriate amount of time for the recipient to pay the unsubsidized portion of the dues to AML
3. communicate the amount of subsidy and this time period to AML
4. inform NH Mensa's Treasurer of the subsidy amount to send to AML

If, at the expiration of the determined time period AML has not received the unsubsidized amount from the recipient, AML will refund NH Mensa's contribution. The Ombudsman and Treasurer shall keep any names of applicants and the amounts of any dues subsidies confidential.

At the June ExComm meeting, the Ombudsman shall report the total number of subsidized members, if any, to the ExComm. At that same meeting, the Treasurer shall report the balance in the Dues Subsidy Fund to the ExComm. If further dues subsidies are granted during the membership year, the Ombudsman and Treasurer shall report to the ExComm at the next scheduled meeting.

Appendix II Gatherings

NH Mensa RGs

This list is the RGs since the bid process was put in place:

- 2020 RG: Chair Deb Stone based on bid, **"It's the Roaring 20s at the End of the Universe!"** (2019-07-23)
- 2019 RG: Chair Deb Stone based on bid, **"The Library at the End of the Universe"** (2018-06-18)
- 2018 RG: Chair Deb Stone based on bid, **"Silly Walks to the End of the Universe"** (2017-07-18)
- 2017 RG: Chair Deb Stone based on bid, **"Around the World!"** (2016-07-21)
- 2016 RG: Chairs Mark & Elizabeth Becker based on bid, **"Blizzard at the End of the Universe"** (2015-03-19)
- 2015 RG: Chair Mark Becker based on bid, **"All Things Silver"** (2014-07-22)
- 2014 RG: Chair Richard Conde based on bid, **"Warp Factor RG!"** (2013-06-18)
- 2013 RG: Chair Holly based on bid, **"We Survived 2012 so ... Let's Party Like it's 2013!"** (2012-06-19)

This is the list of RGs since the first NHRG in 1990 but prior to the implementation of the bid process (please contact Deb Stone with any corrections if you think something is incorrect):

- 2012: **"A Midwinter Weekend's Dream"**
- 2011: **"NH Mensa's Mediterranean on the Atlantic!"**
- 2010: **"NH Mensa's 20th Anniversary Regional Gathering!"**
- 2009: **"Love Potion 09: A Mix of Magic, Romance and Fun!"**
- 2008: **"Celebr8 '08!"**
- 2007: **"Granite Gathering '007: RGs are Forever!"**
- 2006: **"Granite Gathering 2006: Return to Middle Earth"**
- 2005: **"Granite Gathering: Phant-M, the Music of the Night"**
- 2004: **"Granite Gathering: Rock on Old Man"**
- 2003: **"Granite Gathering Aught Three"**
- 2002: **"Granite Gathering Aught Two"**
- 2001: **"A Gathering with No Name"**
- 2000: **"NHRG 1900 (Oops!)"**
- 1999: **"Life after the End of the Universe"**
- 1998: **"Horror at the End of the Universe"**
- 1997: **"Who's at the End of the Universe"**
- 1996: No RG held in this year
- 1995: **"Sword & Sorcery: RG the End of the Universe"**
- 1994: **"Mostly Harmless"**
- 1993: **"It's Mediaeval at the End of the Universe"**
- 1992: **"Trek to the End of the Universe"**
- 1991: **"The Mystery at the End of the Universe"**
- 1990: **"The RG at the End of the Universe"**

Appendix III
Awards **

NHM Scholarship Awards Given

- Three NHM scholarships, for \$500, \$400, and \$300 respectively (2013-06-18)
- Two NHM scholarships, for \$500 and \$300 respectively (2014-06-17)
- Two NHM scholarships, for \$500 and \$300 respectively (2015-06-23)
- Two NHM scholarship, for \$500 and \$300 respectively (2016-06-23)
- One NHM scholarship, for \$800 (2017-05-23)
- One NHM scholarship, for \$800 (2018-05-22)
- One NHM scholarship, for \$800 (2019-05-21)
- One NHM scholarship, for \$800 (2020-05-19)

Jewel Awards Received

- (2014-07-22) It was acknowledged that NH Mensa received the American Mensa Emerald Award at the 2014 AG in recognition of NH Mensa's "exemplary performance as a local chapter".
- (2017-08-22) It was acknowledged that NH Mensa received the American Mensa Ruby level Jewel Award at the 2017 AG.
- (2018-09-18) It was acknowledged that NH Mensa received the American Mensa Sapphire level Jewel Award at the 2017 AG.
- (2020-01-21) It was acknowledged that NH Mensa received the American Mensa Sapphire Award at the 2016 AG.

*** This list was created from old minutes of ExComm meetings. If you are aware of any additions or corrections, please contact Deb Stone or another member of the ExComm*

Appendix IV
NHM Historical ExComm Actions and Notations in the Minutes

*** All of the items in this list are actions, items or acknowledgement that appeared in the Minutes of our ExComm or Annual Business Meetings over the years. They are listed for informational purposes, and are either items/actions that were not in the form of an ASIE or that have been superseded by a newer or updated ASIE.*

Governance related:

1984-11-04:

- Decided to create and send out New Member Packages
- Decided to have regularly scheduled Ex/Comm meetings

1986-June

- Appointed positions who can't make the meeting should report to various Ex/Comm members
- We should get a legal counsel if it is free (& appoint same)

1987-10-16:

- referendum to incorporate passed

1988-08-19:

- National gave us a membership grant but stipulated we had to get a PO Box.

2001-03-21:

- Voted to volunteer to pick up Maine members as part of NH Mensa (Maine Mensa being defunct)

2010-03-23:

- NH Mensa adopted newly revised bylaws after approval by a vote of the membership.

2014-08-21:

- NHM unanimously passed resolution (based on Central NJ Resolution) regarding the position of National Ombudsperson.

2018-10-24:

- A motion was passed to create a list of ASIEs (Actions Still in Effect) for NH Mensa. Deb Stone was appointed to head the effort to extract ASIEs from ExComm minutes going back as far as possible and creating a set of ASIEs. No target date was set.

Finance related:

1981-09-11:

- Leave "Owl" out at monthly gatherings to collect contributions to help defray costs.

1986-07-18:

- Dinner expenses for guest speakers will be paid by chapter (maybe with a ceiling, but not specified in minutes what the ceiling is)

1987-08-21:

- Charge each member (& guest) \$1.00 to attend monthly gathering. 1/2 the money collected would go to the treasury and 1/2 to supplement the tip money for the waitress (meeting @ the time being held in a restaurant) to go into effect October 1987

1987-10-16:

- Fees generated from monthly gathering will be put into the General Fund

1991-06-08:

- Move some money into a CD or other instrument that proves most advantageous to Mensa

1999-12-15:

- Approved to offer a small stipend to people in outlying areas to host events.

2004-11-17:

- Instituted a policy whereby all non-pre-approved expenses submitted are subject to ExComm approval.

2008-04-22:

- To have our fiscal year formally match National's, making it April 1 to March 31.

2010-04-20:

- To start an "RG Fund" within the checking account.

2011-07-19:

- Authorize instituting using "Square" to take credit cards at RG or other times as needed.

2014-06-17:

- Authorize purchase of a copy of Quicken to be used by the Treasurer to keep the financials.

2015-09-22:

- ExComm authorized the Treasurer to reimburse up to five (5) members in good standing of NHM for the cost of one room night, inclusive of taxes, at the Ramada Inn in Albany, NY for the purpose of attending the LDW on 11/07/2015.

2015-10-20:

- The report of the annual audit review of NH Mensa financials was submitted, reviewed, and accepted by a unanimous vote.

2017-02-21:

- ExComm approved reimbursement to Deb for the purchase of a projector to be used for NH Mensa events, primarily the RG.

2017-03-23:

- Deb Stone was appointed to do the annual audit review of NH Mensa financials.

2017-10-24:

- The report of the annual audit review of NH Mensa financials was submitted, reviewed, including a recommendation to review and update the income and expense categories in the accounting software (Quicken). The report was accepted by ExComm.

2020-01-21:

- ExComm approved a request to increase the RG budget \$1,200 for 2020 because of the higher expected Hospitality expenses.

Newsletter related:

1981-04-25:

- change FREED-M newsletter from a quarterly to a monthly newsletter

1981-June (estimated date):

- Raise subscription price for non-members from \$4 to \$6 per year

1984-11-04:

- Publisher will have authority over the printing of the newsletter and the LocSec will arbitrate in any disagreements between the Editor and authors of material submitted to MomentuM.

1984-12-16:

- To keep expenses down, MOMENTUM will be kept to three sheets (12 pages) per issue with an occasional four sheet issue

1991-Fall:

- Raise price for non-member subscription to MomentuM to \$12.
- Encourage lapsed members to subscribe to stay in touch

1998-06-24:

- The treasurer will advance newsletter production funds to the editor each month. The editor will provide accounting on a quarterly basis
- Businesses that request free advertising [in MomentuM] will be refused

2003-07-07:

- It was decided that each entire issue [of MomentuM] would eventually be made available on the website for members once members-only security is applied to the site. The general public will be allowed to see each entire issue of MomentuM with the exception of financial reports, Mensaversaries, and birthdays (for privacy reasons)

2006-09-19:

- To charge \$6.00 a year for an electronic subscription to MomentuM for out-of-chapter members.

2009-05-24:

- New Hampshire Mensa will not publish, or mail newsletters for other chapters without a prior proposal with funding in place, that has been approved by the ExComm.

2015-04-21:

- Approval of motion to have the printer fold & staple MomentuM, at an approximate current cost of \$30-35 per month.

2015-05-19:

- The acronym FSM now represents Fetch, Sticker & Mutilate.

2015-06-23:

- ExComm minutes shall not be included in the public version of the newsletter.
- The public version of the newsletter shall not be published on the website, due to privacy concerns.

Event related:

1989-06-17 & 1989-07-21:

- Discussions at these ExComm meetings appear to be the beginnings of NH RG.

2005-10-17:

- ExComm will consider requests for reimbursement for postcard reminders of events for geographically close members on a case-by-case basis.

2014-04-22:

- NH Mensa shall provide a \$300 contribution to sponsor prizes for the Pep Rally at the 2014 AG being held in Boston. The money will be given to Deb (co-Chair of the AG) and the AG committee will arrange, purchase, and move the prizes to the hotel. The AG committee has agreed to provide publicity that the prizes were provided by NH Mensa. Vote 5-0-0

2014-07-22:

- ExComm approved an effort to have someone cull the existing RG games and excess games either be donated or sold to benefit NHM.

2014-10-21:

- ExComm approved a motion to spend up to \$150 for purchasing additional games to supplement the RG games.

2016-03-22:

- ExComm authorized Deb to negotiate a multi-year agreement with the RG hotel.

2017-05-23:

- ExComm approved the execution of a 2-year contract with the Best Western Plus Portsmouth Hotel and Suites subject to final contract review by Deb Stone.

Testing related:

1998-06-24:

- We will continue to cover reasonable expenses associated with testing

1998-07-22:

- Proctors will be reimbursed \$5 per candidate tested, flat fee (NOTE: This was increased in a more recent Ex/Comm)

2006-04-18:

- ExComm approved a policy to offer each proctor the choice of either reimbursement of \$6 per test-taker or reimbursement of actual gas and toll expenses (allowing the proctor to make that choice after the test has been given.)

Scholarship related:

1987-01-11:

- NHM formed a scholarship fund.

1987-06-19:

- NHM made the telephone tree completely voluntary.

2012-05-22:

- Two \$500 NHM scholarships were awarded to the top local scorers who did not receive a scholarship in the Mensa Foundation scholarship program.

2013-06-18:

- NHM agrees to award local scholarship(s) to the highest-scoring essays that do not win regional or national awards in the MERF Scholarship Essay program.

2017-05-23:

- Based on the Mensa Foundation change to the minimum scholarship awarded under their program from \$300 to \$600, NHM's local scholarship award has been changed from two awards each \$500 or lower to one award of \$800.

In Memoriam:

*** This list was compiled from a review of the minutes of ExComm and Annual Business meetings over the years. If anyone has other items to be reflected, please submit to Deb Stone or any member of the ExComm for consideration.*

2013-09-17

- ExComm officially acknowledged the passing of former (long-time) NH Mensa member Wayne Green, who passed away on 13 September 2013 at the age of 91.

2013-11-19

- ExComm officially acknowledged the passing of long-time NH Mensa member, former RG Chair and former LocSec, Marty Capodice, who passed away October 31, 2013.

2017-09-19

- ExComm shared memories and officially acknowledged the passing of former long-time NH Mensa member and Treasurer Wayne Eddy, who passed away recently.

2019-08-19

- ExComm officially acknowledged the passing of long-time Mensa life member Lori Duboys, who passed away in July.