MARITIME EDUCATION STANDARDS COUNCIL

Annual General Meeting & Board Session

Annapolis School of Seamanship • 410 Severn Ave, Suite 311, Annapolis, Maryland

November 17, 2026

PRE-MEETING SOCIAL — Monday, November 16, 2026 | 1600–1800

All attendees are invited for an informal happy hour the evening before the meeting. Meet at Annapolis School of Seamanship and walk together to:

Carol's Creek Café — Annapolis City Marina | 410 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland

Carol's Creek is located in the same marina complex as Annapolis School of Seamanship. No RSVP required.

MEETING AGENDA — Tuesday, November 17, 2026

TIME	SESSION
MORNING SESSION	
0900	**Call to Order — Introductions** • Introduction of new Board members • Welcome to guests: USCG Headquarters, National Maritime Center, and Guest Speakers
0930	**USCG Headquarters — Chuck Bright** • NAVITA: updates and future steps • Creating a Quality Partnership: MESC & USCG Marine Inspection Service • The Appeal Process
1030	**National Maritime Center (NMC)** • Captain Suffern, Commanding Officer — National Maritime Center • Hank Stewart, Division Chief NMC-2 • NVIC 01-26
1130	**Sponsor Presentation** • Ken Browne, Weems & Plath
MIDDAY BREAK	
1200	**Catered Lunch**
AFTERNOON SESSION	
1300	**Guest Speaker — Todd Lochner, Lochner Law Firm** • The M/V Dali allision with the Francis Scott Key Bridge • The legal case • Implications on the Jones Act
1400	**MESC General Meeting** • Website updates • MESC Testing Procedures • Annual Meeting • Standing Committees
CLOSING	
1600	**Adjournment of General Meeting**
1600-1630	**Closed Board Meeting**