# MINUTES OF THE NORTHAMPTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

November 6, 2019

The Board of Governors meeting was held on Wednesday, November 5, 2019, at River Grille in Easton, Pennsylvania at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. by President Lisa Spitale. An Agenda for the meeting was circulated to the Members of the Board of Governors prior to the meeting. Members of the Board of Governors in attendance at the meeting were as follows:

# <u>ATTENDEES</u> (as marked):

# Officers:

X	_ Lisa Spitale, President
X	Robert Eyer, President-Elect
X	_Maura Zajac McGuire, Vice President
	_Paul J. Harak, Treasurer
$\overline{\mathbf{X}}$	Steven B. Molder, Secretary
	Daniel M. O'Donnell, Past President

# **Board Members:**

- X David M. Backenstoe
- X Jeremy F. Clark
- \_\_\_\_Jacqueline K. Holmes
- \_\_\_\_Richard Santee
- X Michael A. Santanasto
- X Scott Wilhelm
- X Douglas Tkacik

# **Executive Director:**

X Mary Beth Leeson

## I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting held on October 2, 2019 were circulated for review. Mike Santanasto made a motion to approve the minutes as amended and Maura Zajac McGuire seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion was passed.

## II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT/COMMUNICATIONS

President Spitale reported on the following matters:

- A. She received a letter from Ann John thanking us for the \$5,000 donation to PBA Legislative Department.
- B. Email received from Martye Cohen congratulating the Bar on its charitable activities.
- C. Email received from Jill McComsey requesting a donation for Raise a Glass event.

## III. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lisa Spitale reporting for Paul Harak indicated that the amount currently in the Bank is \$1,341,835.39.

### IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Leeson reported on the following matters:

- A. Jelissa has resigned so we need to hire someone to work on the Reporter.
- B. Zone delegate to fill Jonathan Huerta's position Frank Yandrisevits.
- C. The fall soiree was a success. Great venue. Enjoyed by all who attended.
- D. The Miracle League trick or treat had great costumes but participants were disappointed not to win an award, the sense was no one wanted to give an award to lawyers.

- E. Donut day took place November 1, 2019, in the jury lounge and it was attended by a few Judges and the donuts were great. Went through 5 dozen donuts.
  - F. Judge McFadden reception is coming up at Blue on November 13, 2019.

#### V. PROGRAMS

Vice President Maura Zajac McGuire reported that she scheduled the November Quarterly Meeting program on Inherent Bias with Keri Schantz.

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Foundation update – the Committee decided to retain a set sum for each year. The Foundation is planning to partner with Meals on Wheels, May 28, 2020, at the Musikfest Café and the theme is spirit and brews tying that to colonial history.

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Next meeting Wednesday, December 4, 2019, to be determined.
- B. A letter from CACLV asking for a \$2,000 donation to support the mortgage foreclosure and other programs. It was referred to the Foundation Committee.

#### VIII ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by D. Backenstoe. The motion was seconded by Maura Zajac McGuire. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Steven B. Molder, Secretary