# MINUTES OF THE NORTHAMPTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY ASSOCIATION MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2016

The Quarterly Association Meeting of the Northampton County Bar Association was held on Thursday, May 19, 2016, at the Best Western Conference Center, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

## I. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM

The Quarterly Association Meeting of the Northampton County Bar Association scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2016, was called to order by President Alyssa A. Lopiano-Reilly at 12:21 p.m.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 10, 2016, Quarterly Association Meeting were distributed and reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

## III. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

President Lopiano-Reilly introduced new members: Angelo Almonti, Mark Crossley, Jose Medina, John Lychak, Theodore Skaarup, and James Nasatka. There was a motion to admit all the new members. The motion was seconded. The motion passed. All new members were welcomed.

President Lopiano-Reilly reported on the planned outing for the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs game on June 30, 2016, and the availability of tickets.

President Lopiano-Reilly reported on the Summer Outing scheduled for July 21, 2016.

President Lopiano-Reilly reported on the Bench Bar Conference scheduled for October 6-8, 2016. The agenda for the Bench Bar Conference should be available by the end of June. The room blocks are now available.

#### IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

### V. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

## VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Lisa Spitale presented the Treasurer's Report which was previously circulated for review. Treasurer Spitale announced a total balance of all accounts to April 30, 2016, was the sum of \$1,330,940.58. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded. The motion passed. The Treasurer's Report was submitted for audit.

#### VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

## VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

Member Rebecca Kulik reported on the Joint Multi-District Admission Ceremony for the United States District Court for the Middle District in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at the United States Courthouse in Allentown. Details will be contained in the Reporter.

The Bylaws for the Charitable Foundation Committee and amendments to the NCBA Bylaws were addressed.

Discussion was held regarding the Bylaws for the Charitable Foundation Committee. Member Matt Deschler offered a modification to remove references to "Act" and replace with "by law" and this was adopted. Member Keene Jabbour offered typographic corrections which were adopted. The changes made are:

Page 2, Section A(5) spelling error in "ex-oficio"

Page 3, Section E(1) add the word "of" after the word absence and before the phrase "or during the unavailability of the Chair..."

Page 4, Section E(3) remove "or as required by law"

- Page 4, Section E change communications to singular
- Page 5, Section F, middle of the paragraph, add Committee after the word "Foundation"
  - Page 5, Section G, add the word Article before section V(D).
- Page 5, Section B, remove "in the office of the Foundation Committee" and replace with: "in the office of the NCBA or in the Foundation Committee's principal office, if different."
- Page 6, Section A, after the word "recklessness" take out the phrase "subject to exceptions provided by said Act" and replace with "subject to exceptions provided by law"

With those proposed changes a motion was made to approve the Bylaws for the Charitable Foundation Committee. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Discussion was held regarding the proposed amendments to the NCBA Bylaws. One minor change of language from "of" to "or" was proposed and adopted. A motion was made to approve the amendments to the NCBA Bylaws. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Barrister's Boast for this Quarterly Meeting consisted of member Keene Jabbour noting the fact that member Theresa Hogan was honored by the Easton School Board for her work. In addition, member Philip Viglione was recognized as being the NCBA representative to the New Admittee Conference at Toftrees.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 12:38 p.m. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Eyer, Secretary