## MINUTES OF THE NORTHAMPTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING July 21, 2016

The Board of Governors meeting was held on Thursday, July 21, 2016, at Louise Moore Park, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by President-Elect Michael P. Shay. 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:

# **ATTENDEES** (as marked):

Officers:	
X X X X X	Alyssa A. Lopiano-Reilly, President Michael P. Shay, President-Elect Daniel M. O'Donnell, Vice President Lisa Spitale, Treasurer Robert Eyer, Secretary Abraham P. Kassis, Past President
Board Members:	
<u>X</u> X	David M. Backenstoe Paul J. Harak Rebecca Kulik Maura Zajac McGuire Steven B. Molder Michael A. Santanasto Scott Wilhelm
Executive Director	or:

Mary Beth Leeson

#### I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting held June 1, 2016, were circulated for review. McGuire made a motion to approve the minutes. Kassis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT/COMMUNICATIONS

President-Elect Michael P. Shay reported on the following matters:

June 18, 2016, correspondence from Ralph W. Litzenberger, Esquire regarding the circumstances surrounding the passing of his wife.

June 22, 2016, correspondence from State Representative Kate M. Harper, Esquire of the 61<sup>st</sup> Legislative District regarding suggested support for constitutional amendment to move the mandatory retirement age of judges from 70 to 75 years old.

June 3, 2016, correspondence from Sara A. Austin of the Pennsylvania Bar Association soliciting members for the PBA Judicial Evaluation Commission.

May 5, 2016, correspondence of Lisa Colver, Treasurer of The Miracle League of Northampton County, thanking the Board for donation on behalf of Joseph Cicero, late husband of Court Administrator Jill Cicero.

Undated correspondence from Joseph Cervenka, Director of Operations of the Easton Emergency Squad, requesting contribution.

July 5, 2016, correspondence of The Honorable Franklin S. Van Antwerpen sending regrets regarding his unavailability to attend the Summer Outing.

June 27, 2016, correspondence from The Honorable Samuel P. Murray sending regrets regarding his unavailability to attend the Summer Outing.

July 8, 2016, correspondence of The Honorable Robert A. Freedberg sending regrets regarding his unavailability to attend the Summer Outing.

June 21, 2016, correspondence of The Honorable William H. Platt sending regrets regarding his unavailability to attend the Summer Outing.

Undated handwritten correspondence of Court Administrator Jill Cicero thanking the board for the contribution in the memory of her late husband, Joseph Cicero.

President-Elect Shay encouraged full attendance at the Bench Bar Conference.

## III. TREASURER'S REPORT

Spitale presented the Treasurer's Report which was previously circulated for review by members of the Board. Spitale announced the total balance as of June 30, 2016, as follows: \$1,342,827.45. The Treasurer's Report was accepted and submitted for audit without amendment.

#### IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

It was reported that the People's Law School will take place again this year. The one new program for presentation is on medical marijuana to be presented by Scott Wilhelm.

It was reported that the memorial services scheduled for September 20, 2016, in order to honor deceased members Frank Skrapits, Thomas Maloney, Samuel Litzenberger and William Exaros.

It was reported that registration materials for the Bench Bar Conference will be sent out to members this week.

It was reported that the Iron Pigs trip was sold out and successful.

It was reported the Holiday Hope Chest fundraiser held at the Easton Public Market raised \$700.00. Additional fundraising will continue.

It was reported that the Foundation is ready to begin operation pending the naming of committee chair and members.

It was reported that work for preparation of the 2017 budget is underway.

#### V. PROGRAMS

No new matters reported.

## VI. OLD BUSINESS

None.

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

## VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kassis. The motion was seconded by Spitale. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m. The Board of Governors will convene again for the next Board Meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at the home of President Lopiano-Reilly.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Eyer

Secretary

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