

**TOM HOMANN LGBT LAW ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: 5 June 2014 Time: 6:00 p.m. Location: The Center (Hillcrest)	GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
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I. CALL TO ORDER.

- a. Opening Roll Call.
 - i. The Board was called to order at 6:06 p.m. Present were Fox, Visconti, Nageotte, Ahrens, Huston, Davis, Schneeweiss, Aguilar, Freestone and Bunton. James Cekola was also present.
 - ii. Quorum was present.
- b. Approval of the Minutes.
 - i. The Minutes from the May 6, 2014 meeting were approved without objection.

II. SPECIAL BUSINESS.

- a. Election of a Secretary.
 - i. Fox (Schneeweiss) moved to elect Huston as Secretary. Huston accepted the nomination. The motion carried by majority vote. Huston was installed as Secretary.

III. REPORTS.

- a. Chief Financial Officer Report. May 2014 Annual Dinner.
 - i. Nageotte reported the balance in THLA'S accounts and the final accounting on the Annual Dinner.
- b. CLE Report.
 - c. Fox reported that Tiffany Gilmartin will take over the CLE programming. Schneeweiss will join the CLE Committee and help coordinate CLE programming.

IV. INTERIM ACTIONS.

- a. There were no interim actions.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

- a. May 2014 Annual Dinner.
 - i. Wrap-Up, Suggestions and Comments.
 - ii. Suggestions for improvement to the Annual Dinner include: focus on fundraising by increasing ticket prices, conducting a silent auction during

- the reception hour and placing donation envelopes at each table; improve marketing by securing a speaker and starting advertising earlier in the year; and improve the website to allow online registration.
- iii. Fox reported that thank you notes have been sent out to the sponsors.

VI. NEW BUSINESS.

- a. Update on Harvey Milk Breakfast.
 - i. Aguilar reported the Harvey Milk Breakfast was a success.
- b. Move July 2014 Meeting.
 - i. The July General Meeting will be moved to July 10, 2014 due to the holiday.
- c. Website Updates.
 - i. Fox reported the website is currently on a new server and Manley is working on the remaining update issues.
- d. Reception at State Bar Convention.
 - i. Convention: September 11 – 14, 2014, in San Diego.
 - ii. Options for Reception / Off-Site Location.
 - 1. Aguilar reported that THLA can secure an onsite location for a reception for a minimum of \$1,000 and the event will be advertised in the program.
 - 2. Fox will contact the LGTB affiliates attending the State Bar Convention to coordinate a joint networking event.
- e. Lavender Law.
 - i. August 21 – 23, 2014, in New York City.
 - ii. THLA has one free registration / ticket, and attendee must attend the Affiliates Congress.
 - 1. The Board approved Aguilar to represent THLA at Lavendar Law.
- f. Summer BBQ Planning.
 - i. The Summer BBQ will take place in August or early September.
 - ii. Freestone suggested his house as one option for the venue.
- g. San Diego Pride Event.
 - i. The Board unanimously agreed the organization will not organize a networking event prior to San Diego Pride
- h. California LGBT Bar Association Conference Call Update.
 - i. Fox reported that conference call focused on ideas to increase LGBT representation of candidates to the JNE Commission.
 - ii. Ahrens agreed to be the liaison officer for THLA.
 - iii. The next conference call is scheduled for Friday, June 13, 2014.
- i. Legal Clinic / Outreach Program.
 - i. Ahrens proposed the Board organize a community outreach program such as a Legal Clinic at the Center.
 - ii. The Board discussed the logistics of a Legal Clinic.
 - iii. The Board reported Manley organized a similar program. Ahrens will follow up with Manley for suggestions on how to start organizing the program.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- a. Dillon resigned from the Board due to work commitments.
- b. The Board now contains two vacant seats.
- c. James Cekola expressed interest in running for the Board of Directors.
- d. The Board will elect individuals to fill at least one of the vacant seats at the next General Meeting.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS.

- a. Fox reported that Pan Asian Lawyers proposed a joint community service event.
 - i. Suggestions for the community service event include Habitat for Humanities or a LGBT homeless shelter program.

IX. ADJOURNMENT.

- a. Closing Roll Call.
 - i. The Board adjourned at 6:45 p.m. Present were Fox, Visconti, Nageotte, Ahrens, Huston, Davis, Schneeweiss, Aguilar, Freestone and Bunton.