

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

Date: 7 August 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 convened at 6:04 p.m. Present were Fox, Ahrens, Nageotte, Freestone, Aguilar, Cekola, Schneeweiss, Davis, and Bunton. Quorum was present.
- b. Approval of the Minutes.
 - i. The Minutes from the Board's meeting on July 10, 2014, were approved without objection.

II. SPECIAL BUSINESS.

- a. Endorsement Request.
 - i. Dino Paraskevopoulos seeking endorsement for SDCBA Board of Directors.
 - 1. Mr. Paraskevopoulos was unable to attend the Board meeting because he was traveling in Greece.
 - 2. If Mr. Paraskevopoulos seeks the Board's endorsement prior to the endorsement deadline for the SDCBA Board of Directors, Fox and Ahrens will meet with Mr. Paraskevopoulos and report back to the Board. The Board will vote via email whether to endorse Mr. Paraskevopoulos.

III. REPORTS.

- a. Chief Financial Officer Report (Aguilar).
 - i. Aguilar reported the balances in THLA's accounts.
 - ii. Aguilar reported that effective with the September 2014 Board meeting, a more detailed financial report will be presented to Board members for their review. The report will not be included as a formal part of the Minutes for financial privacy.
- b. CLE Report (Schneeweiss).
 - i. Schneeweiss reported that he had a teleconference with Fox and Tiffany Gilmartin. The goal for this year is to co-sponsor at least three CLE programs, and for THLA to host three CLE programs.

- ii. Fox will contact other bar association leaders to determine if other organizations have CLE coordinators or liaisons in an effort to better coordinate co-sponsorship and cross-selling of CLE programs.
- iii. Potential ideas for upcoming CLE programs would include an update on LGBT employment issues, the status of the marriage equality cases, the effects from DOMA (employment, benefits, immigration, etc.).

IV. INTERIM ACTIONS.

- a. On July 22-24, 2014, the Board voted via email to sign on to the *amicus* brief in *Latta v. Otter*.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

- a. There was no unfinished business.

VI. NEW BUSINESS.

- a. South Asian Bar Association Annual Dinner.
 - i. Saturday, October 11, 2014.
 - ii. Horton Grand Hotel (311 Island Ave.).
 - iii. The Board tabled the item because no ticket cost information was provided. The Board will revisit the item at its September 2014 meeting.
- b. Summer BBQ Planning (Cekola).
 - i. Update from Committee on date, location, details.
 - ii. Cekola reported that the committee is looking at September 20, 2014, as a potential date for the summer BBQ.
 - iii. Potential locations include Pioneer Park, a Board member's or THLA member's home, or a local bar.
 - iv. The Board previously approved \$400 for the event.
 - v. Time will likely be from 12:00 or 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.
 - vi. Manley will check catering prices from Chipotle.
 - vii. Margolis will check catering prices from Subway, a taco truck, and the cost of a small keg.
 - viii. Cekola will check on permit requirements if a public park location is used.
 - ix. Schneeweiss will look into space at his yacht club for the summer BBQ, student-attorney mixer in October 2014, and the Board's annual retreat in January 2015.
- c. Outreach to Local Law School Pride Groups (Fox).
 - i. THLA will send representatives to the local law schools to talk with the Pride groups about THLA.
 - ii. Fox will coordinate between the Pride presidents and THLA representatives.
 - iii. Freestone and Nageotte will attend USD's meeting.
 - iv. Aguilar will attend TJSJL's meeting.
 - v. Schneeweiss and Margolis will attend CWSL's meeting.
- d. SDCBA Bar Organization Night (Fox).
 - i. Need for volunteers.

- ii. THLA will have a table at the SDCBA's Bar Organization Night, which will be held on September 23, 2014, from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
 - iii. Fox, Ahrens, Nageotte, and Aguilar volunteered to represent THLA's table.
- e. Mentor / Mentee Program (Fox).
 - i. Fox will coordinate the mentor-mentee program.
 - ii. Interest students can register through their local Pride groups, at the SDCBA Bar Organization night, or at THLA's BBQ.
 - iii. Mentors and mentees will be paired up at the attorney-student mixer in October.
- f. PALSD Community Service Event (Ahrens).
 - i. Date/Time: Saturday, August 16, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.
 - ii. Location: Sunburst Youth Housing Project (1640 Broadway Street).
 - iii. Ahrens distributed a volunteer sheet.
 - iv. PALSD has approximately 5-6 volunteers.
 - v. The Board previously approved \$175 to acquire needed supplies. Ahrens will go to the site to assess what supplies will be needed.
- g. Legal Clinic Update (Ahrens).
 - i. Manley reported he had a conference call with Pride to work on a legal fair day.
 - ii. The Legal Fair Committee will try to have a teleconference within the next week.
 - iii. Manley set up a meeting with Pride for Tuesday, August 19, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at Pride's offices to discuss further.
- h. Website Updates (Manley).
 - i. Manley is still procuring quotes for new website design and platforms, with special emphasis on membership management and mass communication, and payments and registration.
 - ii. Aguilar will find out what web hosting site / company La Raza uses for its website.
- i. Monthly LGBT Bar Association Teleconference Update (Ahrens / Fox).
 - i. The LGBT Bar Coalition is looking to put together an article involving statistics of LGBT members on the bench.
 - ii. The group is still focusing its efforts on finding and advancing LGBT candidates for judicial appointment.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- a. A comedy night to help fund Manley's charity organization, Urban Street Angels, will be held on August 21, 2014. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the show begins at 8:30 p.m.
- b. Tickets are \$10.
- c. Must be 21 or older, and there is a two-drink minimum.
- d. Venue is The Comedy Store, located at 916 Pearl Street, La Jolla, CA 92037.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS.

- a. Aguilar will report on the Affiliate Congress and Lavender Law at the next Board meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT.

- a. Closing Roll Call.
 - i. The Board adjourned at 6:55 p.m. Present were Fox, Ahrens, Nageotte, Aguilar, Cekola, Schneeweiss, Davis, Margolis, Manley, and Bunton.