



**Fort Schuyler Maritime Alumni Association, Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes for Nov 16, 2017**

Meeting held at:

Fiduciary Trust Company International
280 Park Ave, New York, NY, 10019

Attending:

Officers – Voting Members Present (Name, Class, and Position):

- Dan Gillette, '97 President
- Jim Nordmann, '75 secretary
- Matthew Devins, '97 Treasurer
- Mike Brown '82 2nd VP
- Mike Trotta '99 Vice President
- Anthony DeSimone – Asst Treasury '06

Board Members:

- Ted Mason '57
- Annmarie Bhola '98
- John Valvo '83
- Dick Bracken '56
- Jesse Douglas '05

FSMAA

- Maggy Giunco – Director
- Saira Yoo – Asst Director

Attending by Phone:

- Marianne Sanderson Michelson '94
- Jamie McNamara '86
- Bill Kreppin '80
- Jim Yahner '86
- Victor Corso '83
- Carl Hausheer '79

Chapter Presidents Report:

- Carolina's Chapter - Marianne Michelson – Good Oct meeting 23 reservations will hold Marine Annual Dinner in January '18, next meeting in spring. Mike Brown asked for help from Marianne in setting up con-Ed Chapter.

- **Long Island Chapter** – Jamie Yahner – Had joint meeting at Kings Point. Admiral Buzzby invited speaker. Will hold another Chapter meeting Jan-Feb '18 time frame

6:25 Meeting Called to Order by Dan Gillette

6:25 Acceptance of previous meeting minutes.

Copy of previous meeting minutes distributed prior to meeting

- Motion: John Valvo – *“I motion to accept previous meeting minutes”*
- 2nd Motion – Ted Mason
- Board response: All approve, No Opposed, No abstentions

6:27 MOU situation – Dan Gillette

Final Text changes send out to board member prior to meeting. With all Board members consenting to the final text at or before meeting. Discussed timeline of events to get full membership vote.

Preliminary timeline:

- Email blast prior to vote to all members that only members in good standing will be allowed to vote on MOU.
- Send letter from Board and ballot to all members Nov 17 2017
- Members in good standing will have until Nov 27 to reply
- Run report to find any new or previous members renewing membership
- Send to any new and/or previous members now in good standing
- Close ballot Dec 8th
- Any questions that are received will be complied by Maggie and send to board for consideration

7:19 Motion to accept and send to membership vote:

- Motion: Jessie Douglas – *“motion for the Board to fully endorse Alumni Association agreement and to send out for a full membership vote”*
- 2nd Motion – John Valvo
- Board response: All approve, No Opposed, No abstentions

John Bradley accepted by text message during meeting

Note: Jennifer Hayes accepted Nov 18th via communication with Dan.

7:23 FSMAA Assistance Director Position – John Valvo and Mike Trotta

Still looking, one promising candidate so far but candidate was looking for Full Time Employment

7:32: Events – Anthony DeSimone

Annual Awards Dinner set for Jan 25th. Dinner committee comprised of previous honorees will be established to assist with design and facilitation of dinner.

Currently Dinner committee: - Steve Carbery, Chair, AJ Mcalister, Jack Conway, Jose Femenia, John Conrad, Paul Jennings, Bart Kelleher (pending).

Networking Event Nov 22nd to be at Bourbon St.

7:38 Treasury Report – Matt Devins

Financial situation is still under pressure from several areas: Marnier Income down, Membership Renewals as well as additional costs for outside legal resources.

7:45 Honoree for Awards Dinner – Ted Mason

Awards Committee to be convened week after Thanksgiving. Currently Honors Committee - Ted Mason, Chair, Dan Gillette, Richard Bracken, John Bradley, Steve Carbery, AJ McAlister.

This year's Honorees;

- James Maloney – Dedicated Service
- Michael Chalos – Alumnus of the year

7:58 Nominating Committee – Mike Trotta**2017/18 Ballot**

- President - Dan Gillette '97
- 1st VP - Jennifer Barnes Hayes '80
- 2nd VP- Mike Brown '82
- Secretary - Anthony DeSimone '06
- Treasurer - John Valvo '83
- Asst Treasury -Jesse Douglas '03 Asst Treasurer

8:05 – Old Business

As a result of the MOU should Info Safeguards be introduced? Keep track of complaints and then review if needed.

8:09 – New Business

Donor Don Crum concerned about funds' performance. No action at this time. Not easy to consolidate funds. Look at latter.

8:30 Motion to adjourn – Jesse Douglas

- 2nd Motion: Mike Brown