# Maritime College Alumni Association Board Meeting Minutes for March 21, 2019 Meeting held at: Franklin Templeton, Park Ave New York, NY

<u>Officers</u> – Voting Members Present (Name and Position):

- Jennifer Barnes-Hayes, President
- Mike Brown, 1st Vice President
- Kevin Comerford, 2nd Vice President

## **Board Members**

- Kevin Danko
- Ted Mason
- Annmarie Bhola

## **Chapter Presidents**

- Art Sulzer, Del Val
- JJ Malone, Baltimore/DC

## College Staff

• Doug Hasbrouck

### <u>Staff</u>

• Saira Yoo, Director

Minutes recorded by Jesse Douglas.

## Call to order 18:00

• Motion by Jesse Douglas and second by Kevin Comerford to approve February minutes. Motion carried.

## **Chapter Report**

- Rob Rose report out of NE Chapter Requested info on membership in the area, director to issue list.
- Jim Yahner report out of LI chapter- April 25th meeting at Bertucchi's, notice to go out next week.
- Baltimore Chapter report out March 13th event at Capt. St. James. They are currently making plans for TSES July visit.
- Philadelphia report out 3 upcoming events in currently being planned
- Ashley Charles will coordinate events for the College.

## **College Report**

- Anthony DeSimone, Secretary
- John Valvo, Treasurer
- Victor Corso
- Leo Imperial
- Jim Yahner, Long Island
- Robert Rose, NE

- Doug Hasbrouck reviewed TSES ports of call for this summer NOLA May 21st, Jacksonville May 23rd, Charleston June 25th, Manhattan June 20th, Baltimore July 8th, Iceland in July, then home
- Leo I offered to support port calls and will reach out to Capt. McManus
- Carl Haushee NJ chapter report out 1 upcoming NJ chapter event currently being planned
- Amie Carter May need to step down from meeting due to education
- commitments. Jennifer B. asked for appointee
- Hackathon NY Innovation Center event upcoming on March 29-31st Brought in by Joe Breglia, addresses maritime supply chain and other industry issues, has cash prizes, Asked MCAA to help publicize. John V. made motion to support, Jesse D. seconded, unanimously carried

## Treasurer's Report

- John Valvo, Dan Gillette, Anthony DeSimone and Jennifer Barnes Hayes met at Chase and handled the change of authorization, added MCAA as a DBA, Added Articles of incorporation.
- Check deposit issue is in process to be resolved due to recent contributions. Treasurer, President, director and comptroller to meet at the school on March 25th to work on streamlining process. John V. gave an overview of the financials report and current standing. Jennifer B. requested analysis of mailing vs. dues income. John V. recommended looking at a new supplier, Director will complete a quick and simple analysis, Kevin C. Recommended a postcard mailing
- Jennifer will review the Dues Appeal process flow
- Review of annual report and budget. Discussed Electronic vs. Paper dist.
- Annmarie motion to accept the budget. Ted Mason seconds, passed unanimously.

# **1852**

## Scholarships

- Michael Brown discussed scholarships.
- The graders all say the scholarship review process was much simpler and more streamlined this year.
- John Valvo discussed funds available for scholarship.
- The Association is running behind in Summer Sea Term Funds.
- Jennifer Barnes Hayes expressed interest in scholarships for internships. We need to open up gift giving opportunities to internship scholarship.
- Spring event. Anthony De Simone, Saira Yoo and Ashley Scotti will have a conference call offline about the Spring Networking Event.

## 1910

# Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner

- Ted Mason discussed Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner nominations.
- Recommendations and resumes for nominees should be sent into the Association soon.
- John Valvo discussed an alumni who listed the alumni association as a recipient of a donation.
- A check was received. The donors wishes were that funds be used for Summer Sea Terms.
- John Valvo suggested the donation can be added into an existing fund.
- There will be more conversation about appropriate.
- Funds will be moved into a high yield savings account while planning fund use.

## **1920**

**Events** 

• Homecoming weekend events were discussed.

 Motion by Art Sulzer and second by Jesse Douglas for the MCAA to hold its general meeting on homecoming weekend.
Motion carried.

## 1925

- Audit committee was discussed.
- Jesse Douglas completed the RFP. Jennifer Barnes Hayes will review the RFP and distribute accordingly.

### 1930

- Victor Corso has joined the football booster club.
- Ted Mason discussed the Captain Tomb Speaker Series.
- Doug Hasbrouck discussed the admiral's dinner, a Maritime schools challenge fundraiser. The losing school must wear the winning school's logo.
- Mike Brown discussed the football program at Maritime College.
- Ted Mason asked about Bylaws updates. More discussion is requested by the Board.
- Kevin Danko discussed the New Alumni Night. Students would recommend the event to others.
- Everyone liked the venue. Both students and alumni rated the alumni association as having significant value.
- Close to 60 students and 20 alumni attended.
- Survey results will help guide decision making for next year's event.
- Mentor guidelines were appreciated.
- Motion by Jesse Douglas and second by Victor Corso to adjourn. Motion carried.