

**Maritime College Alumni Association
General Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2020**

Meeting held at:

WSP

1 Pennsylvania Plaza 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10119

Officers – Voting Members Present

- Jennifer Barnes-Hayes, President
- Mike Brown, 1st Vice President
- Kevin Comeford, 2nd Vice President
- Anthony DeSimone, Secretary
- John Valvo, Treasurer
- Annmarie Bhola, Assistant Treasurer

Board Members:

- Mike Trotta
- Kevin Danko
- Ted Mason
- Carl Hausheer
- Victor Corso*
- Leonard Imperial
- Phil Kantz*
- Chris Nystrom*

Chapter Presidents

- Jim Yahner
- Art Sulzer*
- Zhen Shao

Staff

- Saira Yoo, Director

18:15

Call to order

General Discussion

The board discussed

Motion by Leo Imperial and second by Mike Trotta to have legal counsel draft a notice to FSS and GCaptain for review by the Board.

Motion carried.

16:45

Jenifer discussed the tragic death of John LaGrassa and offered her condolences.

18:50

A potential conflict of interest was discussed. Victor Corso described his interest in remaining on the Board of Directors.

19:23

Motion by Jennifer Barnes Hayes and second by John Valvo to maintain that Victor Corso does not have a conflict of interest.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Chapter Presidents Report

Jim Yahner discussed the Long Island Chapter. This Saturday there is an alumni hockey game against Kings Point.

The Long island Chapter looks to get involved in the Maritime vs Kings Point Basketball game at Maritime College.

Alumni Game is at 7:45 pm and the college game follows.

Zhen Shao discussed the Con Ed Chapter and internship development efforts.

Art Sulzer discussed an upcoming new speaker series in Philadelphia. He's also looking for upcoming Maritime vs Kings Point sport events for the chapter to attend.

Carl Hausheer discussed Texas and Florida Chapters. The next meeting in Florida will be January 30. NJ chapter likely plan an event for February.

Carl also discussed Dennis Brennan's Chapter building efforts.

19:36

Treasurer's Report

John Valvo reviewed the Treasurer's Report.

Membership is up, year over year, for 2019.

Success in growing membership was discussed.

John then discussed revenues from events.

He explained that in 2020, the Association should increase budget expectations to reflect actuals in 2019.

Kevin Comeford combined and streamlined accounts which will greatly improve out auditing process.

Phil Kantz inquired about expected Summer Sea Term expenses for students in 2020.

The Board then described and discussed the new Summer Sea Term structure.

The Board will evaluate any potential changes Scholarship distribution based on the latest projected tuition expenses for Summer Sea Terms.

19:52

Ted Mason discussed fundraising efforts by the College and the Alumni Association.

Leonard Imperial discussed the medals and ribbons for the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner.

Numbers for the dinner's attendees are higher than where they were in January 2019.

20:00

Events Committee Report

Kevin Danko discussed the upcoming Awards Dinner and College Graduation Commencement. The Captain Tomb Distinguished Leadership Lecture Series has been moved to March. Bob Stewart will be providing the lecture.

Night of Alumni Events on February 22

March 12 is New Alumni Night.

Spring Fest on April 9.

Admiral's Dinner April 28.

Ship departure is May 4.

Spring Networking May 14.

Golf Classic in June.

20:07

Scholarship Committee Report

Mike Brown reminded the Board that Summer Sea Term Scholarship application time is approaching. He is looking for scholarship essay reviewers.

Elections

Mike Trotta discussed results of the 2019 Board of Director Elections. See Appendix A.

Motion by Mike Trotta and second by Annmarie Bholá to approve the results of the election.

Motion carried.

20:15

Magazine Committee Report

Ted Mason discussed the Magazine Committee.

John Valvo discussed the Annual Report. Jennifer Barnes Hayes, Leo Imperial, and Ted Mason volunteered to work on the publication.

20:26

Motion to adjourn by Leonard Imperial and second by Mike Brown.

Motion carried.

Appendix A

Approved Slate from Election

2020 Election Results

- President: John Valvo '83
- 1st Vice President: Michael Brown '82
- Secretary: Anthony De Simone '06
- Treasurer: Kevin Comerford '83
- Assistant Treasurer: Annmarie Bholá '98

Members:

- Ted Mason '57
- Phil Kantz '65
- Michael Trotta '99