

Fort Schuyler Maritime Alumni Association, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes for March 20, 2014

meeting held at: Fiduciary Trust 600 Fifth Ave New York, New York

Officers - Voting Members Present (Name, Class, Position):

Charles Munsch, '73, President
Ted Mason, '57, 2nd Vice President
Earl Baim, '80, Secretary
Matthew Devins, '97, Asst. Treasurer (by telephone)
Annmarie Bhola, '98, Board Member
Jose Femenia, '64, Board Member (by telephone)
Carl Hausheer, '79, Board Member (by telephone)
Victor Corso, '83, Board Member (by telephone)

Daniel Gillette, '97, 1st Vice President Michael Haeser, '98, Board Member James Maloney, '80, Board Member Anthony DeSimone, '06, Board Member Richard Bracken, '56, Past President Greg Tuthill, '86, Board Member Dan Lilly, '98 (by telephone)

Chapter Presidents

Marianne Michaelsen-Sanderson, '95 – Carolinas John Knause, '91 - Baltimore

Alumni Director

Maggy Williams Giunco

NOTE: All times shown below are given to the nearest five-minute interval.

- Marianne Michaelsen-Sanderson gave an update on Carolinas Chapter activities. She said there would be a chapter meeting on April 25 or 26 in Sandy Springs, GA, a town just outside Atlanta.
- John Knause updated the Board on the activities of Baltimore Chapter. His chapter is working on hosting Empire State on her upcoming visit to Baltimore, and is coordinating with Ms. Amy Bernstein of the College. Charlie Munsch advised him to coordinate with Art Sulzer of Delaware Valley Chapter. The training ship will arrive in Baltimore and later sail to Philadelphia.
- Meeting Called to Order. **Quorum Present.** Adoption of minutes of the February FSMAA Board Meeting; **minutes accepted with correction of Dick Bracken's class year to 1956.**
- Discussion of Board Voting by Chapter Presidents. Issue tabled until next meeting to allow revision of proposed motion by Jim Maloney and Charles Munsch based on results of discussion.

- Discussion of Board Vacancies. A motion was made to appoint Matt Devins as Treasurer; motion carried. A motion was made to appoint Greg Tuthill Assitant Treasurer. Charlie Munsch advised that Mike Trotta will be returning to the Board. A replacement for Greg Tuthill as Board Member will be necessary; accordingly Charles Munsch will contact those who polled the next highest number of votes in the recent election to see if they will be interested in taking a Board seat. The selection of the replacement member will be followed up by an e-mail vote. Matt Devins proposed Mike Trotta for the nominating committee.
- 1900 Dan Gillette reported on the Summer Sea Term Scholarships. Selection of recipients will be completed by March 31, 2014.
- Dan Gillette reported on events. There will be a meeting of the Golf Committee on March 28 at the NY Athletic Club. The Spring Networking Event is planned for May 29, 2014 at the Social Bar in NYC.
- Maggy Williams Giunco reported on the upcoming First Class Night. It will be held on April 10, 2014 at Michael's Turner Club in The Bronx.
- 1920 Earl Baim reported progress on the effort to Register FSMAA's Logo with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.
- Matt Devins read his written report concerning IT. Projected costs are \$35,000.00 initially, followed by \$600.00 monthly costs. Discussion of the Budget. Bookkeeping costs have risen, from \$5,000.00 annually to \$40,000.00 annually. FSMAA has receivables in PayPal that haven't been recognized. The total amount of funds available for 2014 Summer Sea Term Scholarships have to be determined. Further discussion of IT; Matt Devins will make a recommendation by the next Board Meeting.
- Jose Femenia reported on Membership. He noted in 2013 there were 1464 dues paying members. He stated there were 1860 persons that he defined as "active members." He discussed a proposal submitted by Steve Hertz to increase membership as well as efforts to reach out to younger alumni to determine why they are not becoming members in larger numbers.
- Jim Maloney discussed his efforts to draft a new conflict of interest policy. He is currently working on the 4^{th} draft. We will discuss and vote on the conflict of interest policy at a future meeting.
- Jim Maloney proposed a motion to require that all official FSMAA documents transmitted electronically be transmitted in PDF format. Motion Carried.
- Discussion of two proposed new committees; an Audit Committee and a Finance Committee. A motion was made to approve the creation of an Audit Committee which would consist of two Board Members and the Assistant Treasurer, with the Treasurer being a non-voting member of the Committee. Motion Carried.
- 2012 A motion was made to form a Finance Committee. Motion Carried.
- 2015 Honors Committee discussion.
- Discussion of a request by the College to provide funds to purchase a number of sextants to be used for training by the Cadets. A motion was made to allocate \$15,000.00 from FSMAA's College Fund to purchase up to 50 sextants; the sextants to be appropriately marked that their purchase was funded by FSMAA, Inc. Motion Carried.
- 2030 Charles Munsch discussed progress of the College's pending selection of a new President.
- 2040 **Dick Bracken made a motion to recognize Kevin Comerford's work as Treasurer. Motion Carried.** Dick Bracken to create and send wording.

2045 Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted, Earl J. Baim, Secretary Cc: All Board Members