

Fort Schuyler Maritime Alumni Association, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes for May 29, 2014

meeting held at: Social Bar, Grill, Lounge 795 Eighth 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, Treasurer Jose Femenia, '64, Board Member Carl Hausheer, '79, Board Member Dan Gillette '97, 1st Vice President Victor Corso, '83, Board Member Michael Trotta, '99, Board Member Anthony DeSimone, '06, Board Member Dan Lilly, '98, Board Member Annmarie Bhola'98, Board Member

Alumni Director

Maggy Williams Giunco

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

Pre-Meeting

Discussion of progress with the College's Presidential Search

- 1625 Meeting called to order. **Quorum Present.**
- 1625 Carl Hausheer discussed New Jersey Chapter planned activities, which include; a social event in Belmar, NJ on June 14; a social event on July 13 in Somerset/ Bridgewater, NJ; a gathering at Monmouth Race Track on August 10, and; a social event in Iberia, NJ on September 18. Carl also conveyed a message from Art Sulzer asking for a membership vote on an agreement with SUNY.
- Discussion of Chapter President Board Voting. A motion was made to mail a letter explaining proposed By-Laws amendments to the membership on the subject of Chapter President Voting and creating an Honors Committee for a vote by the members. The letter was presented to the Board. Discussion of how the vote would be taken; the Board favored using Survey Monkey to conduct the vote because of cost. Following discussion the motion was carried to bring the letter to a vote by the membership by July 30, 2014.
- A motion was made to conduct the membership vote by separating the question of Chapter President Voting from the question of creating an Honors Committee. Motion Carried.

- 1655 The March 2014 and April 2014 Board Meeting Minutes were accepted with corrections.
- 1700 The draft Conflict of Interest Policy was presented to the Board and adopted by a motion.
- 1705 Dan Gillette discussed scholarships.
- Mike Trotta discussed the Nominating Committee and vacant Board Positions. There are two vacant positions, one running to January 2016 and another running to January 2015. A motion was made to offer Matt Herrington the longer duration position as he had obtained the most votes in a previous Board vote conducted electronically following the April Board Meeting; motion carried. Discussion of awarding the shorter duration position, with consideration given to Chris Tamulonis '08 or Leonard Imperial '01; of the two, Leonard Imperial received the most Board votes and accordingly the Board moved that the position be offered to him.
- Discussion of Scholarship Funding. Ted Mason advised he has been asked by Otto Leipin whether his scholarship has been awarded. Matt Devins noted that the 2014 Scholarship Appeal had raised \$90,359.00 and that FSMAA has \$42,385.00 available for SST 2015. Jose Femenia proposed levying a management fee for administering the scholarship funds.
- Discussion of funds to buy sextants for the College. The \$15,000.00 donation was sent to the supply company. Apparrently the sextants themselves will not be marked with FSMAA's name, but the boxes they are in will be.
- Discussion of Golf Outing. Maggy Williams Giunco noted she must provide the guest list to the Golf Course by this coming Friday at noon. There are currently 144 players committed, a minimum of 154 are needed.
- Discussion of on-line course offerings. Jose Femenia said that Gerhardt Mueller is interested in doing this with FSMAA, however, the Board of his organization, San-Sail, is not interested in making an arrangement with FSMAA at this time.
- Discussion of recruiting younger members. Jose Femenia proposed reducing dues by 50% for younger members. Discussion. A motion was made to reduce dues 50% for younger members for the first five years after their graduation year. The motion was tabled pending determining of administrative details.
- Matt Devins discussed Denise Tiernan's change in circumstances; she is relocating and wishes to reduce her hours to part time. The Board discussed various options. A motion was made to purchase a laptop computer for Denise's use for a price not to exceed \$1,000.00. Motion carried.
- Matt Devins discussed IT choices and provided a hand out comparing various options and their features and costs. He will propose a preferred option and explain it at the June Board Meeting where it is planned to vote on it at that time.
- 1825 Adjourn.

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