



## General Meeting Minutes – February 2025

Meeting Held via Microsoft Teams

### Officers

<b>Steve Carbery</b>	President
<b>Seth Lucas</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
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<b>Justin Dela Cruz</b>	Secretary
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<b>George Gascier</b>	Assistant Treasurer

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### Past MCAA Presidents

<b>John Valvo</b>	Past President - 2020
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### MCAA Staff

<b>Saira Yoo</b>	MCAA Staff
<b>Maggy Giunco</b>	MCAA Staff
<b>Taylor Netchert</b>	MCAA Staff
<b>Don Gale</b>	Magazine Editor

### College Staff

<b>John Okon</b>	President
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### Chapter Presidents

<b>Art Sulzer</b> (Del Val)	<b>Dennis Brennan</b> (Southern California)
<b>Jim Yahner</b> (Long Island)	<b>Carl Hausheer</b> (Chapter Ambassador)
<b>Jamie McNamara</b> (New Jersey)	<b>Zhen Shao</b> (Con Edison)
<b>Ashley O'Brien</b> (Tampa Bay)	<b>Greg Wagner</b> (Houston)

## **February Meeting Minutes**

### **1804: Call to Order**

### **1805: Roll Call: Justin Dela Cruz**

### **1808: January Meeting Minutes Approved**

### **1810: Report from President MCAA: Steve Carberry**

- Go through the Committee. They cannot report out the committee report. The Governance and Legal Committee need someone to participate. Potentially Kevin. Need someone to step up on the Events, Honors, By laws committee.
- Jennifer Mahoney, New VP of Institutional Advancement, continuing to work with her and the foundation. One of the new things from Admiral Okon, in April have a full week on campus. Career Fairs, invocation, and a day of giving. A platform that people can donate to. Cost about \$5,000. Admiral Okon asked the foundation for the money. The day of giving. He's really pushing for one team. Perhaps split the cost with the foundation for \$2,500. Potentially vote once we can get more information.
- John Valvo motion to have board members donate \$100 to meet the \$2500.
- Gala was terrific. Event run extremely well from the speakers. We still have some receivables expenses. Net profit was around 144,000. Sponsorship was okay. Ticket prices was a bit expensive and assured them the next annual event will go back to regular programming. A lot of work to get the sponsors. Additional funding to be set aside for Scholarships. Already defined in the P&L.
- Alma Base contract signed. Getting ready with the meetings, get the school to take ownership due to all data being owned by the school. Call outlined the what needs to be done, and how it ties together.
- Lots of events coming up. Athletic Hall of Fame. 8 new inductees. Invocation of President Okon. Black History Month Dinner February 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Targeting March for training for the Prop Program.

### **1830 Report from Treasurer: Sam Reilly & George Gacser**

- George Gacser – This reports highlight certain aspect of the budget. Gross income is way below budget by \$13,000. Gross Revenue is below by \$7,000. Gross Expenses in the year were higher than anticipated - \$46,000. Net income below where it should be.
- Treasurer Agenda –
  - Proposed Budget 2025
    - Gross Income YTD - \$70,000
    - Net Income YTD - \$-33,600
  - Proposed Budget Highlights
    - Dues YTD - \$30,000
    - June Golf Classic - \$120,000
    - Ancient Mariner Golf Outing - \$20,000
    - Networking Events - \$12,500

- Total Revenue from Events - \$277,500
- Accounts
  - Chase Accounts - \$621,586
  - Business Checking 1 - \$241,939
  - Business Checking 2 - \$31,421
  - HY Savings - \$348,225
  - Funds Available for SST 25: \$475,000

## 1910: Report from Committee President

- Bylaw Committee – Leo/Dennis
  - Spending a lot of time how to get the chapters voting with the board structure. Working with different models with different tiers of different chapters. Active chapters can come up with a way to represent. Still working it out.
- Nominations Committee – Mike
  - **Nothing to report.**
- Events Committee –
  - Big event was the dinner. Next is the New Alumni Night. Targeting around March 13<sup>th</sup> or move it to April 17<sup>th</sup>. March 11<sup>th</sup> is second preferred from the school. The venue we used was not available for the 13<sup>th</sup>. Piggyback with the speaker series, for the March 13<sup>th</sup>. Or combine it with the Career fair day.
  - Next big event is Golf, possibly some pickleball.
- Honors committee – Leo
  - N/A
- Magazine Committee – Ted/Don
  - Call out on socials. Would like to get the google form going for the last issue. About 11 class notes, still waiting on Pam Jones for a kick off meeting. A month away for the spring kick off meeting.
  - Admiral is holding up the issuance of the magazine. Coordination meeting for the June/July meeting has been held out. The Admiral wants to change the look and feel of the magazine. It's a joint product and modifying things will take a lot of work.
  - It is on hold due to the design. And wondering are why we are dragging our feet on the magazine.
- Membership Committee – Seth Lucas
  - Lots of activities going on.
  - New England –
    - Robert Rose potentially getting the chapter going and event at Mystics.
  - Houston –
    - Last year our objectives were
    - Clay shoot
    - 1 quarterly events in the bar with the industry wide event
    - Christmas Events
    - Family Event – potentially at September
    - 360 people for Houston
    - Working on Mission Statement
    - Tour of the Ship

- Tampa Bay –
  - American Victory was great turnout with 20 total.
  - Next event is in May.
  - Sponsored event with Orion construction.
  - We started in June Last year. And we have 3,000 in total revenue and registration fee.
  - Prop Program would be worth it training around the same time as Homecoming. Prop Training on Thursday before homecoming.
  - 5 cadets come from Faragut High School. With Tampa outreach and branching out to OSG side. It's exponential with the outreach and step forward. Just by going to the Mass Ship and local publicity that occurred. We are missing out on the network of Alumni, Pilots, and Mass Maritime really found a way to get in touch with the High School within the area.
  - These kids are already interested and we need to get in contact with them and get them aware of the school.
- Long Island –
  - Possibly having an event this spring.
- New Jersey
  - April 16<sup>th</sup> for country night and Axe throwing event is great.
- Philadelphia
  - Art is actively engaging with its recruiting.
- Social Media/PR Committee – Rick McClain/Taylor
  - Newsletter coming out this Friday
- Audit Committee – John Valvo
  - Nothing to report.
- Scholarship Committee – John Valvo
  - Scholarship's application process closed on Feb 14<sup>th</sup>. Committee members will have a brief zoom with the intentions on what to get done.
  - Still working to get through the college scholarship liaison.
  - By Next Month's meeting should have the graded score and the committee to have the quantity of scholarship to give out.
  - The In state tuition is about above \$12,000. The scholarship committee with the desire to be \$6,000 for 1<sup>st</sup> class. And the scholarship amount for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> class to be determined with the committee members. All classes are doing 75 full days.
- Swag Committee – Vin
  - Brought one of the blankets with the one embroidered, and gave it to the Sal.
- Governance Committee –
  - Need to have someone step up and volunteer. MOU is signature ready.

## **1929: Old Business**

## **1930: New Business**

- Greg Wagner – Attended STA, and one of the panels. Sam Norton of OSG, one of the concerns to get the license due to the summer sea term. Companies should help out with potentially engaging students. A problem with the summer sea term has been truly expensive.

- Moving to Google Workspace with all application. We are an approved nonprofit through Tech Soup.

**1947: February 2025 meeting concluded.**

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