



Maritime College Alumni Association

General Meeting Minutes – May 2022

Meeting Held on May 19, 2022 via Teleconference (Microsoft Teams)

Officers

Kevin Danko	President
Annmarie Bhola	VP
Leo Imperial	2 nd Vice President
Sam Reilly	Treasurer
Tyler Reszoly	Secretary

Board Members

Michael Paturas	Ted Mason
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Past MCAA Presidents or Board

John Valvo	Past President - 2020
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College Staff

Michael Alfultis	President
Douglas Hasbrouck	VP of Development

MCAA Staff

Matthew Bonvento	MCAA Magazine Editor
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Chapter Presidents

Carl Hausheer – Chapter Ambassador	Dennis Brennan – Southern California
Jamie McNamara – New Jersey	

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1805: Call to Order

- Approval of April Meeting Minutes
 - Motion put forth - **Motion carried, all in favor**, motion carries

1807: Chapters Update

- **Jamie McNamara** – New Jersey
 - Talking with Kings Point regarding an outdoor event at Topgolf. Concern regarding the increase in COVID cases. Nothing currently on the books.
- **Art Sulzer** (Doug Hasbrouck filling in)– Philadelphia
 - There will be a joint event when the TSES is in Philadelphia during June, but they are finalizing the details. Working with the Philadelphia Maritime Society for a joint event.
- **Dennis Brennan** – Southern California
 - Nothing to report besides following up on a Chapter president meeting for June.
- **Carl Hausheer** – Chapter Ambassador / Northeast Florida
 - Attended the Northeast Florida chapter meeting. Admiral was present and the meeting was well received with good feedback from Alumni.
 - Thinking of doing something in Houston for the Break Bulk show in September

1815: Executive Director's Report – Kevin Danko

- Staffing changings - Margret has resigned from her role and the student intern has graduated and moved on.
 - Marissa Danzy is working part time doing some administrative work as they work to normalize the MCAA processes.
- Working on the golf outing for June.

1821: Presidents Report – Kevin Danko

- Recently had the commencement for the 2022 graduates.
- Ship will be departing on Friday 5/27/2022.
- Discussed the Regimental review report. In summary, the College requested the review, they are reviewing the findings and taking actions towards remediation. Mixed views from some alumni and news sources.

1825: Report from the College – Michael Alfultis

- All staff going on the training ship including the staff have completed or will be completing 2-days of Sexual Harassment Sexual Assault training.
 - A Chaplain and Mental health counselor will be onboard the ship for the entire cruise. Additionally, a satellite phone has been installed for cadets to have a confidential phone call if needed to certain individuals.

- Cadet shipping companies must be approved through MARAD. Asking for assistance to have a clear narrative between Kings Point Alumni and Parents association accusing Maritime of stealing their billets.
 - Ray Waters is the cadet shipping coordinator who can answer any questions that companies may have.
 - 120 cadets are cadet shipping this Summer.
- Regimental review report – the Admiral and College requested this report. Only .5% of the report were redacted which were strictly to protect the privacy of the students or the employees. SUNY legal reviewed the redacted sections and validated they should have been redacted.
 - Nothing was redacted to protect the reputations of the college staff.
 - SUNY Communications does not believe it is necessary to release a statement unless anything changes.
 - 4-week plan of releasing
 - Week 1 – Announcement on the establishment of the President’s Council on Campus Climate Culture
 - Week 2 – Email on the changes to improve SST for a safe and healthy environment
 - Week 3 – Email similar to week 2 but for Cadet Shipping
 - Week 4 – Email action plan on remediation of the Regimental Review Report
 - The Admiral will do what is best for the College.
- Discussed the progress being made on the new training ship and concerns over costs of SST.
- Received \$1.2 million for the cadet appointment program
- Did not receive the funding for the fuel. Admiral is very concerned regarding the increasing costs in Summer Sea Term and he believes this could impact future enrollment.

1901: Treasurer’s Report – Sam Reilly

- Slightly incomplete treasurer report due to a staffing issue.
- Budget
 - As of 4/30/2022
 - Net income for YTD – (\$18,417.33)
- Budget highlights
 - \$10,380 received YTD.
 - Under 2022 budgeted number - \$70,000
 - Underway Fund - \$3,766.48 (YTD)
 - June Golf - \$14,950.00
 - Annual Alumni Dinner - \$23,758.50 (+\$25,000 from McAllister)
- Funds January 1, 2022 - \$12,926,718.19
 - April 30, 2022 – down 14.6% (approx. 1.9mil)
- Kevin, Jeanne and Sam met with Chase to become co-signers on the Chase account.

1910: Committees

- **Scholarship Committee;** John Valvo; No changes since last meeting, allocation discussed in April is still set.
- **Events/Honors Committee:** Leo Imperial;
 - Alumni Awards Dinner hosted on 4/29 – net revenues was \$63,166 up slightly from the previous dinner in 2020. There may be a deduction from this number for next years dinner, Leo/John to confirm.
 - Good feedback from the event. Discussing ways to publish a write up/pictures of the event in Maritime news sources.
 - Next focus is on the June golf outing. Currently there are 49 registered golfers, the target is 130. Everything seems to be in line where we should be at this point.
- **Magazine Committee;** Ted Mason; Current magazine is in good shape; articles have stuck to the theme of inclusiveness.
 - Delivery date is on schedule for late June. Need to get the magazine out before key MCAA events.
 - Plan on meeting with the College in late June or July to discuss the 2023 magazine release date.
 - When events occur, please let Matt know so it can be added into the magazine.
 - Doug mentioned the overall theme of the magazine moving forward for the best flow and result.
- **Membership:** Nothing to Report
- **PR Committee:** Nothing to Report
- **All Hands;** Annmarie Bhola; Nothing to Report

1945: Unfinished Business – Kevin Danko

- Nothing to report

1950: New Business – Kevin Danko

- The meeting in June will be in person and a review of the strategic plan will take place. Hybrid model – in person and a Teams meeting will still take place.

1954: Motion to adjourn meeting

1955: Motion carried. May 2022 meeting concluded.

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