

ACA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes and Members' St. Patrick's Day Virtual Cocktail Party

Date:	March 17, 2021	
Time:	5 p.m. (central time)	
Location:	Zoom Meeting	
Attendees:	Frank X. Neuner, Jr. – President Brett G. Harrison – Vice-President Ashley Belleau - Secretary and Treasurer Andrew Schpak Livia Barndollar Josh Camson David Bienvenu Peggy Senentz Gene Vance Judge Peter M. Reyes, Jr.	Keith B. McLennan – Past-President Linda Klein Darrel Papillon Aurora Austriaco Joy Phillips Jim Dorsett Don Slesnick Francis Menton Denise Kraft Jamie and Maura O'Connor
Guest	Mixologist, Maddie Williams	

President Neuner, sporting his green ACA Mixing It Up St. Patrick's Day shirt, called the meeting to order with an Irish prayer:

May God give you, for every storm, a rainbow, for every tear, smile, for every care, a promise, and a blessing in each trial. For every problem life sends, a faithful friend to share, for every sign, a sweet song, and an answer for each prayer.

1. Approval of Draft Minutes

The Board approved the draft Minutes of the February 16, 2021 Board Meeting.

2. President's Report -- St. Patrick's Day Celebration

President Neuner introduced Mixologist, Maddi Williams. She showed the members how to mix a Paloma and an Irish Mule!

Paloma:

- 1.5 oz tequila
- .5 oz of simple syrup
- .5 oz of lime juice
- .25 oz of Campari
- 1 oz of grapefruit juice

Build in a shaker with ice. Shake for about 20 seconds, strain into Collins glass, and garnish with a lime.

Irish Mule:

-2 lime wedges squeezed

-2 oz of Jameson

-4 oz of ginger beer

Build in a mule glass with ice and stir after adding all ingredients. Garnish with a lime

3. Financial Report

Ashley Belleau reported that she is receiving membership dues checks and deposits directly into the ACA banking account at Wells Fargo via Stripe. She reported the ACA bank account has a balance of \$64,427.61 with new deposits of \$2,090.00 pending. She also reported that the current list of the membership dues paid to date along with the list of donors and sponsors was circulated today to the Board and encouraged Board members to reach out to friends and colleagues to pay their membership dues and/or join the ACA.

Josh Camson noted that members can log into the website and update their membership information and pay their dues on-line.

4. Committee Reports

Membership Committee

Brett Harrison reported the Committee has completed its review of the membership list and made marked up the full membership directory to show who has not paid. The plan is to ask the Board members to identify 3 to 5 non-paying members that they will contact about paying their membership.

To assist with this process the Committee is in the process of finalizing the draft recruitment brochure. The final version will be circulated by the end of the month.

At the next meeting of the membership committee the focus will be recruiting members of the ABA leadership, particularly the YLD.

Scholarship Committee

In Wes Horton's absence, Frank Neuner reported that the Committee has received some good applications for the (1) *Stanley J. Cohn and James K. Dorsett III Scholarship*; and (2) *Lowell Jacobson Scholarship*. The plan is to extend the deadline of March 15th for another week. The Committee will announce the winners in April.

Sponsorship Committee

In Bill Johnston's absence, Keith reported that the Committee is waiting on Keith to provide talking points to attract new corporate sponsors.

Lexis Nexis Scholarship

Keith McLennan advised that he is working to obtain more funds.

5. New Business

Members then socialized and shared personal stories about the recent birth of a child, to be born grandchild and planned future trips/vacations. Josh also shared that he is launching a podcast called “Interrogatories” – which will consist of interviews of accomplished lawyers and provide a peak behind the curtain.

6. Adjournment

Mr. Neuner closed the meeting with an Irish prayer:

May those who love us, love us; and those who don't love us, may God turn their hearts; and if He doesn't turn their hearts, may He turn their ankles so we'll know them by their limping.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m. (central).

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley L. Belleau, ACA Secretary