

Women's Bar Association of the State of New York
Board of Directors Meeting
June 1, 2018
The Otesaga Resort Hotel
Cooperstown, NY

A quorum being present, the Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Anne Joynt, seconded by Janet McFarland to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2018 Board of Directors meeting. The motion passed.

President's Report

President Littman reminded all attendees that there is a silent auction at Convention for the benefit of the WBASNY foundation and that raffle tickets will be on sale for the gift baskets until the Saturday evening drawing. She thanked all of the chapters for their contributions. She further reported that all attendees of the Thursday evening excursion will receive a five dollar refund in the form of raffle tickets.

President Littman reported that we have had real movement by the Legislation Committee this year. She thanked the Committee for the heroic job they did and credited them with WBASNY having finally cracked the door open to the Governor's office and the legislature.

President Littman reported that the Amicus Committee has been hard at work as well. We had three new amicus requests which were discussed on Executive Committee conference calls. The Executive Committee voted to continue our support on a contraceptive rights case and to join on one other. She thanked that committee as well for its hard work.

Morgan Stanley

Kyle Kennelly & Tom McGinley from Morgan Stanley were introduced as the sponsors of the Thursday evening event. They presented to the Board on their services.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Reid-Green presented to the Board the financial status of WBASNY, including convention revenue.

Long Range Planning Committee

Andrea Composto and Irene Villacci presented to the Board a new proposed long range plan for WBASNY. They acknowledged the hardworking members of the committee and thanked them and the chapters for sending representatives to the committee. They noted that the strategic plan in the past was long and exhaustive. They thanked to Linda Chiaverini for giving the committee a new format for the current proposed plan, which was circulated in the Board materials for the meeting. This long range plan was created and approved through committee and approved by the WBASNY Officers. They stated that its purpose is to outline what we will do to move forward

and maintain our mission. They reviewed the plan with the Board. A motion was made by Greta Kolcon, seconded by Kelly Pressler to approve the proposed long range strategic plan through 2020. The motion passed.

Thousand Islands Chapter Ratification

President Littman and President-Elect Kolcon reported to the Board they have the distinct pleasure to ask for a motion for the ratification of Thousand Islands Women's Bar Association, WBASNY's 20th Chapter. A motion was made by Elaine Avery, seconded by Dawn Reid-Green to ratify the Chapter. The motion passed. Alicia Lendon, the first President of the Thousand Islands Chapter was welcomed to WBASNY.

Convention 2018

Katherine Courtney, Linda Johnson and EJ Thorsen welcomed everyone to Convention 2018. They thanked the permanent convention committee, Executive Director Chiaverini and the association management staff for all they did to make this Convention happen. President Littman announced that all Convention CLE's would be recorded and available for viewing and credit at a later date. She thanked Vice President Pressler and Executive Director Chiaverini for getting a new provider and having us up and running in time for Convention.

Chapter President Reports

The Chapter Presidents reported to the Board on their respective chapter achievements in the past year.

Presentation to Board of Directors

President Littman and President-Elect Kolcon presented gifts of appreciation to the members of the Board. President Littman thanked the NYWBA for hosting the Board of Directors luncheon.

Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made by Robin Abramowitz, seconded by Mindy Zlotogura to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 1:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer P. Brown
Recording Secretary