

Pennsylvania Association of Bar Executives  
Minutes of the November 18, 2010 Meeting

The November 18, 2010 meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of Bar Executives, held at the Sheraton Harrisburg-Hershey, was called to order by President Dave Blaner at 2pm with 24 members present: David Blaner, Allegheny County Bar Association; Joseph Burke II, Wilkes-Bane Law & Library Association; Jennifer Ellis, PBI; Jessica Engel, Lycoming Law Association; Bruce Fleischer, Centre County Bar Association; Wendy Hoffman, Chester County Bar Association; Susan Kenny, Monroe County Bar Association; Susan Kost, Schuylkill County Bar Association; Elizabeth Kramer, PBA; Diane Krivoniak, Westmoreland County Bar Association; Mary Beth Leeson, Northampton County Bar Association; Richard McCoy, PBI; Deanne Mindler, Bucks County Bar Association; Nevin Mindlin, PBA; Don Morgan, Dauphin County Bar Association; Becky Morgenthal, Cumberland County Bar Association; Nancy Paul, Montgomery County Bar Association; Kathy Sabol, Washington County Bar Association; Michelle Shuker, PBA; Barry Simpson, PBA; Don Smith Jr., Berks County Bar Association; Evelyn Sullivan, Lancaster County Bar Association; Cindy VanLaey, York County Bar Association; Shelly Lawson, USI Affinity.

Secretary's Report. The Minutes of the May 5, 2010 meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report. The PABE Financial Statements were reviewed. The 990-N postcard is due by May 15, 2011.

New Business & Committee Reports:

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE. Upon motion, second and unanimous vote the CCBL Scholarship will be named in memory of Liz Price. The possibility of the Scholarship Committee developing a pamphlet or information on the memorial scholarships was discussed, with links on the website. A notice regarding the Liz Price CCBL scholarship will be sent to the Delaware Bar Association and Liz's family. Upon motion, second and unanimous vote, the CCBL scholarship will be for the full registration cost of the conference, up from one-half the registration amount.

CCBL. Upon motion, second and vote (with one abstention: Jessica Engel), the PABE will pay one-half ( $\$1,200 \times 50\% = \$600$ ) of the speaking fee and one-half of expenses ( $\$750 \text{ estimated} \times 50\% = \$375$ ) for Tom Vossler to speak at CCBL.

ANNUAL RETREAT. Becky Morgenthal reported that the committee is getting proposals from various sites for Fridays/Saturdays in August.

LEGAL JOURNAL COMMITTEE. Nancy Paul reported that a Conference of County Legal Journals meeting will be held following the PABE meeting.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE. Wendy Hoffman encouraged all PABE members to submit information for the PABE directory, including a current photo. A draft directory was circulated for corrections and revisions.

PROGRAMS & EDUCATION. Kathy Sabol queried the group to determine the interest in conducting another PABE Salary Survey. The possibility of using an online tool such as Survey Monkey was suggested, with Mary Beth Leeson volunteering to assist.

AD HOC UNIT COUNTY COMMITTEE. Based on several questions from those present, President Blaner appointed the following to serve on an ad hoc Unit-County Committee to work with Elizabeth Kramer and Barry Simpson on unitcounty issues: Becky Morgenthal, Ev Sullivan, Diane Krivoniak and Jessica Engel was appointed. PBA members were asked to email Ev Sullivan with items for the committee's consideration.

Other Reports of Interest to the Membership:

PA CLE BOARD. Dan Levering submitted a written report announcing plans are underway for the Spring/Summer 2011 providers conference and that the board can provide an orientation for new CLE providers, as well as provide brochures for attorneys regarding the benefits of MyPACLE accounts; the board also thanked providers for continuing to make the Bridge the Gap program available for newly admitted lawyers.

PBI. Filling the vacancy that occurred upon the death of Liz Price, Don Smith was appointed to serve as the PABE Representative to the PBI Board. Dick McCoy reported that PBI seminar attendance for "live" seminars is up 52%. PBA REPORT. Barry Simpson reported that 2011's 8.5 million Budget will include a \$10 PBA dues increase; unit-county membership is holding steady. There are 90,000 InCite searches per month; given this level of usage, the PBA will be extending the InCite contract for another 2-year period. Dave Blaner noted that the Board of Governors will be addressing several Diversity Initiatives, including the hiring of a PBA Diversity Officer.

Upon motion, second and unanimous vote, a RESOLUTION was passed hereby recognizing the service of Don Morgan, retiring Executive Director of the Dauphin County Bar Association, to the PABE. A reception will be held in Don's honor following the Conference of County Legal Journals meeting to be held following the PABE meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:21pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen L. Sabol, PABE Secretary