

**Philadelphia Bar Association
Board of Governors Meeting
April 26, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Vice Chair Amber Racine.

A motion to approve the [minutes](#) of the Board's March 27, 2018 meeting carried unanimously.

Treasurer Regina Foley presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending March 30, 2018. The bar association's net assets as of that date were in the black at \$7,362. Although revenues were underperforming relative to the budget by \$46,925, expenses were running less than anticipated by \$54,287. A motion to approve the report carried unanimously.

Probate and Trust Law Section Chair Rise P. Newman presented a [resolution](#) to amend the Probate and Trust Law Section Bylaws. The proposed [amendments](#) were primarily technical in nature. Following a friendly amendment, a motion to approve the resolution carried unanimously.

Chancellor Platt nominated Mary E. Lemieux-Fillery to the Philadelphia Bar Reporter editorial board. A motion to approve the nomination carried unanimously.

Diversity Chair Priscilla Jimenez presented an update regarding implementation of the association's Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan. She has asked affinity bars to provide a list of preferred and recommended diverse and minority owned vendors in order to promote utilization of those vendors. She is also planning a diverse vendor showcase to introduce diverse and minority owned businesses utilized by the affinity bars to a wider audience.

Assistant Secretary Jennifer Coatsworth circulated Pro Bono Requirement forms and Individual Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan Checklist and reviewed the necessity for members of the Board to complete and submit those forms. The pro bono forms must be submitted by July 5th.

Young Lawyers Division Chair-Elect Michaella Tassinari presented an update on programming planned for Law Week, beginning on April 30th, and the need for volunteers for those programs.

Executive Director Mark Tarasiewicz then presented the Executive Director's Report. He introduced Joshua Peck, interim director of Communications and Marketing. The association has collected \$1.579 million in revenue thus far, approximately 86% of its membership dues budget. Dues revenue collection was higher last year during the same time period. He reviewed progress with the Strategic Vision Task Force, preparation for the June Quarterly Meeting, sponsorship initiatives and efforts to connect USI Affinity to targeted law firms. Jenkins Law Library is moving from 833 Chestnut Street to smaller space at Ten Penn Center in December. The 60 paintings and art objects owned by the bar association and currently housed by Jenkins will be appraised for possible sale or storage, as there will not be enough space to house those items.

Chancellor Platt reviewed recent activities, including lobbying efforts on behalf of Legal Services Corporation student loan forgiveness programs.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc J. Zucker
Secretary

**Board of Governors Attendance
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Voting members present (by phone or in person):

Mary Platt	Maureen Olives
Rochelle Fedullo	Jennifer Seme
Hon. A. Michael Snyder (Ret.)	Alisha Lubin
Marc Zucker	Michael van der Veen
Jennifer Coatsworth	Dominique Ward
Regina Foley	Deborah Gross
Matthew Olesh	Vincent Barbera
Amber Racine	Michaella Tassinari
Maureen Farrell	James Berardinelli
James Funt	Timothy Holman
Wendy Hess	Erin Siciliano
Teresa Rodriguez	Eric Siegel
Susan Lin	David Shapiro
Hon. Sandra Mazer Moss (Ret.)	Hon. Tina Rago

Absent:

Katayun Jaffari	Francesca Iacovangelo
Edward Beitz	Nicholas Kamau
Angela Giampolo	Kevin Mincey
Adam Taylor	Ann Funge
Neil Maskeri	Molly Tack-Hooper
Benjamin Barnett	Jill Jenkins
Meghan Claiborne	

Non-voting members present:

Mark Tarasiewicz	Harry Reichner
Priscilla Jimenez	

Absent:

Lawrence Beaser	Thomas Brophy
Gaetan Alfano	Niki Ingram

Mary-Kate Martin
Patricia Infanti
Robyn Addis
Abraham Reich
Butler Buchanan
Wesley Payne

