

**MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2009 CBA YLS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
The Hartford Club
Hartford, Connecticut**

Present

EC Members:

P. Das, J. White, J. Weiner, J. Shapiro, N. Agman, A. Arscott, A. Baron, L. Berger, T. Blatchley, E. Boothroyd, N. Braswell, A. Cates, A. Cenatiempo, E. Conklin, G. Daniels, D. DeRosa, M. Dunn, E. Gianquinto, G. Goldman, E. Graner Sexton, R. Haskell, J. Hecht, L. Hernandez, J. Janik, S. Kirkeby, D. Kletter, D. Krisch, P. Lamb, F. Lefante, J. Lentini, B. Logan, C. Mahon, M. McGloin, K. Miller, N. Moses, K. Moyher, M. Necci, C. Nelson, D. Omasta, C. Perry, G. Podolak, S. Rosenberg, C. Sanetti, T. Shah, J. Sklarz, H. Spaide, J. Strutt, M. Todgham, J. Torres, M. Weiner, K. Wilkinson, N. Yorrio, S. Yoder

Also present:

J. Barnes, F. Berall, C. Cassella, J. Czekajewski, J. Davie, C. field, M. Fregeau, J. Gagnon, B. Gallant, M. Goldfarb, L. Greenspan, B. Haslam, J. Hoffman, J. Horwitz, B. Koteen, T. Kouri, M. Mascolo, B. Massey, S. McElligott, D. McGrath, K. Nastri, C. Odoms, M. Ortiz, K. Reardon, T. Scheffey, J. Sexton, A. Sisley, R. Tophma, S. Weddington, A. Wergles, J. Wragg

I. Call To Order

Meeting called to order by P. Das at 6:40 p.m.

II. Introduction

P. Das welcomed the group to the EC meeting and the Leadership Dinner featuring Sarah Weddington.

III. Roll Call

J. Shapiro indicated that people were signed in by the CBA staff as they entered the meeting and roll call was not necessary.

IV. Approval of Minutes

J. Shapiro indicated that the minutes from the September EC meeting were distributed to the EC by e-mail and were also available at the registration table. T. Shah moved to approve the minutes and J. Weiner seconded the motion. EC approved the motion unanimously.

V. Reports

A. Secretary's Report

J. Shapiro advised the EC of the protocol for postings on LinkedIn and Facebook. Facebook would be used primarily for advertising events. LinkedIn would also use be used for events, but also to promote job opportunities and discussions for the YLS' members.

B. Treasurer's Report

J. Weiner indicated that the Treasurer's Report would be issued by e-mail the next day.

C. Chair-Elect's Report

J. White waived the Chair-Elect's report.

D. ABA/YLD Report

J. Sklarz explained that there was an upcoming ABA YLD meeting on October 22-24 in Birmingham, Al.

E. Past Chair's Report

D. Krisch explained the role of the House of Delegates which serves as a policy voice for the CBA. D. Krisch also commended the Soup Kitchen service program he attended in Norwalk.

F. Chair's Report

P. Das reported that J. Calabresi was very pleased with the DSS event and recognized the committee for its efforts. P. Das also reported that the Diversity Dinner is scheduled for November 10 at the Quinnipiac Club in New Haven.

G. Director and Committee Reports

1. CLE's

J. Janik reported that there were several successful CLE's in September and numerous scheduled for October including a Health Law CLE on HIPAA scheduled for October 19, Litigation Short Calendar CLE on October 26 and Federal Practice CLE on November 9.

2. Diversity

J. Lentini reported that Diversity Panels have been planned on race, religion and gender and recognized the chairs assisting on those panels.

G. Daniels reported that the Diversity Dinner is scheduled for November 10 at the Quinnipiac Club in New Haven. The Diversity Dinner is highlighting the 20th anniversary of the initial filing of the lawsuit *Sheff v. O'Neill*. The Dinner will honor the lawyers involved in the lawsuit including Wes Horton, Martha Stone and Holly Thomas.

3. Professional Development

C. Nelson and M. Dunn reported that several career panels have been held and planned at both UConn Law and Quinnipiac Law. On October 13, a career panel is planned for Quinnipiac on Public Interest. A career panel on government careers was held at UConn in September.

4. Public Service

B. Logan reported on the success of the Soup Kitchen service project. Over 700 people were fed in September due to the YLS' efforts. B. Logan also reported about upcoming Soup Kitchen opportunities.

5. Pro Bono

C. Perry reported that the last week of October is National Pro Bono Week. He advised that the YLS has its annual pro bono fair scheduled for October 28, at 6 p.m. at the CBA Center. The fair will feature representatives from different agencies who will highlight pro bono opportunities for young lawyers.

H. House of Delegates Reports

J. Strutt reported that no meeting has been held yet for the House of Delegates, but there was an upcoming meeting scheduled for October 14. She advised the EC about the role of the House of Delegates.

VI. Discussion: Amici briefs and legislation

P. Das passed the discussion on amici briefs and legislation.

VII. Action: Committee Appointments and Volunteers

A. Truancy Project

P. Das explained that the YLS has been asked to assist in obtaining volunteers for the Truancy Project. T. Shah moved to support the effort. J. Lentini seconded. EC approved the motion unanimously.

B. Court Visitation Program

P. Das explained that the CBA is a co-sponsor of the Court Visitation Program. The program provides guided tours of the state courts for students in grades 7-12. P. Das entertained a motion to support the program. D. Omasta moved to support the program. C. Nelson seconded. EC approved the motion unanimously.

C. Domestic Violence Conference

P. Das discussed followed up on a previous request that the EC put together a domestic violence conference. P. Das asked if members were interested in exploring this option to advise him.

D. CLE Committee Appointment

P. Das reported that Fran Brady, President of the CBA, has asked for a representative of the YLS be appointment to the CLE Committee. A. Knott expressed interest and was approved by the EC to serve in that capacity.

VIII. Old Business

P. Das asked if there was any old business. No old business was reported.

IX. New Business

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X. Announcements

P. Das asked if there were any additional announcements. D. Schwartz requested that members complete the CBA Task Force Survey. An announcement was made that the CHBA annual meeting is scheduled for November 5.

XI. Program: Leadership Dinner with Sarah Weddington

P. Das entertained a motion to suspend the EC meeting to commence the evening's program featuring S. Weddington. T. Shah so moved. J. Lentini seconded. EC approved the motion unanimously.

XII. Adjournment

Motion by C. Nelson to adjourn meeting. A. Baron seconded. EC approved the motion unanimously The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.