

**MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2008 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Quinnipiac Law School Faculty Commons**

Present

T. Archambault, K. Baranowsky, A. Baron, J. Berger, J. Black, T. Blatchley, A. Boston, M. Boyd, M. Brookes, K. Casini, M. Coppola, M. Corcoran, C. Curran, P. Das, D. DeRosa, T. DiNardi, E. Graner, R. Haskell, S. Haupt, J. Hecht, J. Janik, A. Knott, B. Logan, M. Lucarelli, P. Lutin, L. Manteghian, L. McClendon, K. Miller, L. Morizio, C. Nelson, D. Omasta, C. Perry, T. Richardson, E. Santoro, T. Shah, J. Shapiro, J. Sklarz, M. Torres, D. VanValkenburg, J. Weber, M. Weiner, J. Weiner.

Meeting called to order by L. Morizio at 6:35 p.m.

I Welcome and Chair's Report

L. Morizio advised EC of revised meeting schedule due to availability of Quinnipiac Law School Faculty Commons, with Fall, 2008 meetings to be held on October 14 (New Britain) and November 11 (Quinnipiac). Date, time and place of subsequent meetings TBA. Distributed YLS informational binders and portfolios to any member not present at Retreat or otherwise needing one.

II Secretary's Report

J. Weiner distributed attendance sheet and reminded EC of policy requiring presence at 60 percent of listed meetings in order to qualify for voting rights in April, 2009 election. Advised EC of intent to create master calendar of events and requested all chairs and directors to notify and request date through secretary prior to planning event. Advised EC of e-mail policy requiring e-mails to go through secretary.

III Treasurer's Report

P. Das on behalf of J. White reminded EC that budget forms for all committees are in YLS binders, but all have \$250 that should be spent in order to protect future budget requests. All alcohol purchases must be preapproved in accordance with new policy to be distributed to EC. All reimbursement forms must have receipts.

IV ABA-YLD Report

M. Torres advised EC that she serves as liaison to ABA YLD, and also as local disaster legal services coordinator for Connecticut and Rhode Island. Encouraged participation because YLD chair Lizz Acee is former YLS chair, and described Voices Against Violence public service project. There are 4 meetings per year, with Fall meeting to be held October 3-4 in San Diego, Winter in February, 2009 in Boston, Spring in May, 2009 in New Orleans, and Annual in August, 2009 in Chicago. Advised interested members to expect 75 percent reimbursement for attendance.

V Directors' Reports

Diversity: M. Boyd announced that Diversity Reception will be held on November 20, 2008 at the Quinnipiac Club, with cocktails at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm. She advised EC that diversity directors would help with diversity issues for events, too.

Equilibrium: J. Black announced that there will be a financial planning seminar on October 23 at the Hartford office of McCarter & English, and a work-life balance program focusing on parenting at the November 11 EC meeting.

Public Service and Pro Bono: M. Torres, C. Perry and R. Haskell passed on thanks for our donation efforts from specialists serving in Iraq and Afghanistan, and announced that donations would continue to be collected at all EC meetings. Public Service Fair to be held after October 14 EC meeting at CBA Law Center -- representatives will be present to discuss Truancy Project, Statewide Legal Services, Child Advocacy Center, Voices Against Violence and Foreclosure Prevention Panel.

Professional Ethics: T. Richardson announced that a panel discussion will be held at the February, 2009 EC meeting on ethics for young lawyers. He invited chairs to contact him to arrange ethics credit for CLE programs.

Program Development director J. Shapiro thanked all chairs for work at Retreat and on plans of action. He requested submission of all revised plans of action, and advised all to contact him with any questions because of maternity leave of S. Walsh.

CLE: M. Lucarelli and C. Nelson advised EC of goal to have each committee put on a CLE program, not necessarily part of Basic or Advanced Practice Series. Organization of Spring dates now in progress.

Senior Director: J. Sklarz is working with M. Ritter, legislative liaison, to set up debate or program about 2008 election.

VI Committee, Liaison and Local Unit Reports

Bridgeport: P. Lutin introduced as new local unit chair.

Women in the Law: J. Weber reported that first meeting will be held in late October, with a book club format. Kelly Walker, chief counsel of D'Agio, will be invited to speak at annual committee meeting.

New Haven: J. Hecht reported that New Haven County bar would co-sponsor networking receptions, Toys for Tots and Horn of Plenty.

Litigation: D. Omasta mentioned that meetings with judges to be held in October, and that short calendar CLE will be held on September 15. D. Omasta is now secretary of Tolland Bar Association.

Insurance: J. Janik advised of CLE n bad faith litigation to be held on October 27, and that CEO of Aetna is expected to speak in Spring as part of business leader series.

Workers' Compensation: E. Santoro and M. McGloin mentioned plans to have programs on pain management and heart/hypertension issues, as well as to co-sponsor a networking event in Hartford.

Education Law: A. Baron and M. Brookes passed on "tidbit of education," that non-exempt employees are entitled to overtime for after-hours Blackberry use, but lawyers do not. Expressed intention to hold programs on students' rights and the internet.

Commercial Law and Bankruptcy: D. VanValkenburg and C. Nelson expressed intention to hold program on restructuring and CLE on state receivership.

Middlesex: M. Corcoran expressed intention to set up Middletown business networking event.

Law School Advisors: E. Graner advised committee of law school availability for events.

Estate and Probate: A. Knott reported that CLE will be held on November 18.

Family Law: B. Logan reported that CLE on guardians ad litem to be held on November 25.

Land Use and Real Property: C. Curran and M. Coppola reported on October 2 CLE to be held jointly with environmental law, and on planning and zoning joint event with senior bar in October or November. Expressed intention to hold Spring seminar on redevelopment.

Criminal Law: D. DeRosa and S. Haupt reported that a lunch with Judge Damiani will be held on October 28 at Portofino's in New Haven, and mentioned plans to hold future seminars on DNA, false confessions, and identification issues.

Federal Practice: K. Baranowsky reported on November 7 CLE on Introduction to Federal Practice, and mentioned that annual federal judges dinner will be in Hartford this year. C. Perry mentioned that Federal Bench/Bar Conference will be held on October 19 at St. Clement's Castle.

Environmental: T. Blatchley mentioned October 2 joint CLE with land use committee, with second part to be held in Spring, 2009. Mentioned co-chair L. Gardner had car accident.

Quinnipiac Law Students: K. Casini invited EC to contact him for anything needed from Quinnipiac, including use of faculty commons and grand courtroom for events.

Gay & Lesbian Legal Rights: T. DiNardi mentioned that her committee already has 20 members, and will hold social networking event on September 25 at Tisane's in Hartford.

Stamford: K. Miller mentioned that Oktoberfest will be held on October 16, and expressed intention to hold a golf outing and run Horn of Plenty.

Business Law: J. Berger expressed intention to have career panel discussions at area law schools, and to have a M & A CLE focusing on IP issues. Expressed intention to have social event with corporate sponsor in Greenwich or Stamford in March, 2009. L. Morizio commended J. Berger for programs and encouraged him to make sure co-chairs stay involved.

South Asian Bar Association: T. Shah mentioned that a community service event will be held at end of October.

Appellate: M. Weiner expressed intention to invite Wes Horton to discuss his new book on History of the Connecticut Supreme Court, and is working on the group admission trip to the United States Supreme Court, which may be modeled on Hartford County program.

Health Law: A Boston advised EC of health law career panel to be held at UConn Law School on October 30, and expressed intention to hold a public service project and social networking event for after bar results.

Hartford: T. Archambault requested all EC members to advise him of events held in Hartford, and expressed intention to hold a new bar member social event after swearing-in.

George W. Crawford Bar: L. McClendon advised of social networking event to be held on October 1, at Bentara in New Haven. Crawford is also working on a legislative night on Hartford, and voter registration drives. A golf outing will be held at Blue Fox Run in Avon.

VII Chair-Elect Report

P. Das mentioned that Construction committee (K. Durrant and D. Werner) will hold a program on mechanic's liens. On September 27, a multiple panel discussion, "Governing After 2008," will be held at Yale Law School. CAPABA will hold their annual luau on September 27 at Lyman Orchards.

P. Das also expressed intention to set up his Long Range Planning Committee to work on effective communication with section, and solicited interest in Judicial Selection Commission informational program.

L. Morizio congratulated P. Das for election to partnership of Rome McGuigan.

VIII Old Business

None reported.

IX New Business

None reported.

Motion to adjourn by P. Das, seconded by M. Torres, motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Weiner, Secretary