

CONNECTICUT SUPREME COURT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting - March 6, 2012

President Wes Horton called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in the Lawyers' Lounge of the Supreme Court in Hartford. Other Board members and committee chairs present were: Kit Collier, Chuck Howard, Sheila Huddleston, Molly LeVan, Kathy Calibey, and Justice Zarella (*ex officio*).

Ms. Huddleston moved the approval of the minutes of the January 9, 2012 meeting. Mr. Horton seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

Mr. Shea was not present but Mr. Horton distributed the attached treasurer's report, dated March 6, 2012, reflecting an account balance of \$35,666.53. A question was raised as to why the report reflected only \$4,000.00 in donations for Volume V of the Journal, when Ms. Huddleston reported that \$6,000.00 had been pledged by law firms. Approval of the treasurer's report was deferred pending clarification on this issue, and Mr. Horton said that he would follow up with Mr. Shea. (Subsequent to the meeting, Mr. Shea distributed an email dated March 9, 2012, to which he attached financial accountings as of December 31, 2011, and as of March 19 (sic), 2012, indicating that all \$6,000.00 in pledges have been paid and accounted for and that the earlier report of an account balance of \$35,666.53 was correct. A copy of Mr. Shea's March 9, 2012 email and its attachments are also attached.)

Mr. Horton reported on a discussion among just members of the board of directors concerning the possible expansion of the size of the board as recommended by Mr. Farley at the last meeting. Mr. Horton indicated that the board had agreed to recommend that all current committee chairs and vice chairs be added to the board of directors. He raised the question of whether this would create a problem for sitting Superior Court Judges, such as Judge Cohn. The matter was tabled until the board meeting prior to the annual meeting, at which time it will be fully discussed and acted upon. Justice Zarella suggested that expanding the board to include members from other parts of the state would help attract new members and stronger participation from those areas.

Ms. LeVan presented the details on the annual dinner meeting. It will take place on May 10, 2012 at the New Haven Lawn Club, with cocktails beginning at 5:30 and dinner beginning at 6:30. The Speaker will be The Hon. Judith Kaye, Former Chief Judge of the State of New York, who will present "Reflections on the 'After-Life' of a Chief

Judge.” Ms. LeVan indicated that once again firms could purchase tables of ten seats and that the checks should be sent to her. She also reported that Mr. Horton will coordinate sending out the invitations, Mr. White has been coordinating with the speaker, Ms. Turekian has designed the program, Mr. D’Auria will make sure that it is listed on the website, and Mr. Weiner will make arrangements for the presentation of a picture of the Supreme Court building to the speaker. On the issue of who would be the appropriate person to introduce her, Justice Zarella indicated that he would check with Chief Justice Rogers, and if appropriate, former Chief Justice Peters.

Mr. Horton distributed an email from Mr. Farley, dated March 6, 2012, a copy of which is attached, concerning the cost of collecting membership fees on the website. Action on this matter was deferred until the next meeting.

Mr. Collier presented an idea for consideration for the Journal. He indicated that his wife is presently interviewing the current and former deans of the Yale Law School, and that it was anticipated that the interviews would be published. He suggested that we may want to consider similar interviews with current or former Justices as a regular feature of the Journal. In the course of the ensuing discussion, a point was made that the time to prepare for such an interview could be extensive, and that we may want to hire someone to conduct the interviews if we were to decide to do so. No definitive conclusion was reached on this idea.

Ms. Huddleston reported on next year’s Journal. She reported that she presently has an article from Judge Rush on his clerkship at the court. She is hoping to obtain articles from Judge Tanzer and Carolyn Querijero on similar topics. Mr. Horton indicated that he thought it would be good if articles could be obtained from other clerks as well. Mr. Collier indicated that Bonnie Collier may also make a proposal concerning interviews. Ms. Huddleston indicated that she would also call Mr. Besso to inquire if he would be interested in writing an article on his clerkship.

Mr. Horton discussed the list of former Supreme Court Clerks that he had received from Justice Zarella. Mr. Horton indicated that he intended speak with Mr. Farley about contacting them for membership, and Justice Zarella confirmed that the Society may make use of the list for its membership purposes. Ms. Huddleston indicated that she would take responsibility for cleaning up the list and putting it in a database format.

A nominating committee, consisting of Ms. Huddleston (chair) and Mr. D’Auria, was appointed to recommend officers and directors for election at the next meeting. Mr. Horton’s and Mr. Collier’s terms expire this year.

The next meeting was scheduled for May 10, 2012 at The New Haven Lawn Club at 5:00 p.m. Mr. Horton said that he would ask Mr. Widener, as he has done before, to give us a short tour of current exhibits at the Yale Law School at 4:00 on the same date.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles L. Howard,
Secretary

Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society
2012 Financial Accounting

As of March 6, 2012

I. Revenue

Member Renewals:	\$ 3,800.00
Donations:	\$ 4,000.00
Interest:	\$ 9.43
	<u>\$ 7,809.43</u>

II. Other Expenses

Banking Fees	\$ 51.98
Publishing Company (Vol. 5)	\$ 3,473.19

Gross Revenue:	\$ 7,809.43
Expenses:	<u>(\$ 3,525.17)</u>

Account Balance: \$38,950.79

Previous Account Balance: \$35,666.53

Howard, Charles

From: Shea, Michael P. [mpshea@daypitney.com]
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2012 3:05 PM
To: Jane Dube; Howard, Charles; Huddleston, Sheila; DAuria, Gregory T.; ccollier07@aol.com; White, Jeffrey J; LeVan, Molly; kcalibey@riscassidavis.com
Subject: CSCHS - Updated Treasurer's Report and Accounting for Law Firm Contributions
Attachments: 41946091_10(HARTFORD).DOC; 42707060_2(HARTFORD) (2).DOC

Folks:

The report we sent you on Tuesday did not take account of several recent checks we have received. We have attached a corrected version of the Treasurer's report (the second attachment), which brings our financial situation up to date. Please discard the report I sent you on Tuesday; sorry for the confusion.

I also attach the previous report - the one we sent you on January 18, 2012 -- which shows that we received \$1,000 from Wiggin & Dana late last year.

Taken together, the two attachments show that we have now received what I understand to be all of our promised law firm contributions for the Journal, i.e., a total of \$6,000 consisting of \$1,000 each from Wiggin & Dana, Shipman & Goodwin, Horton Shields & Knox, Halloran & Sage, Robinson & Cole and Day Pitney. So I believe we have received all of our promised law firm contributions at this point.

Note to Molly:

We put in the mail to you today the check and form for the NHLC.

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2011 Financial Accounting

As of May 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011

I. Revenue

2011 Member Renewals:	\$	5,270.00
Donations:	\$	1,000.00
Annual Meeting Fee:	\$	6,090.00
Interest:	\$	39.66
		<u>\$ 12,399.66</u>

II. Events

May Annual Meeting:

Expenses:	<u>(\$ 4,794.35)</u>		
		Caterer	\$ 3,960.45
		Law Tribune Ads	\$ 500.00
		Speakers' gift	\$ 333.90
			<u>\$ 4,794.35</u>

October Dinner:

Expenses:	<u>(\$ 519.79)</u>		
		Caterer	<u>\$ 519.79</u>

III. Other Expenses

Banking Fees	\$	221.38
Secretary of State Fee:	\$	50.00
PO Box Fee:	\$	117.00
	\$	<u>388.38</u>

Gross Revenue:	\$	12,399.66
Expenses:	<u>(\$ 5,702.52)</u>	

Account Balance:	\$35,666.53
Previous Account Balance:	\$33,619.39

Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society
2012 Financial Accounting – Updated

As of March 19, 2012

I. Revenue

Member Renewals:	\$ 4,725.00
Additional Donation:	\$ 100.00
Donations:	\$ 5,000.00 ¹
Interest:	\$ 9.43
	<u>\$ 9,834.43</u>

II. Other Expenses

Banking Fees	\$ 51.98
Publishing Company (Vol. 5)	\$ 3,473.19

Gross Revenue:	\$ 9,834.43
Expenses:	<u>(\$ 3,525.17)</u>

Account Balance: \$41,975.79

Previous Account Balance: \$35,666.53

¹ See previous report provided to you on 1/18/12 which shows our first donation from Wiggin & Dana. All other donations show in this current report.

Jane Dube

From: Farley, John B. [FARLEY@halloran-sage.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2012 12:18 PM
To: Wesley Horton; Jane Dube
Subject: RE: CSCHS

Wes:

The cost of the service is 30 cents plus 2.2% of the payment, per transaction. So if 100 people made their payment using the website, it would cost us $\$30.00 + 110 = \140 , about three memberships. I think it will be worth the expense.

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Farley, John B.
Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2012 8:57 AM
To: 'whorton@hortonshieldsknox.com'; 'JDube@hortonshieldsknox.com'
Subject: CSCHS

Wes:

I cannot make today's meeting. Through Melissa Farley, I have determined that the state will not host a payment system on our website. We can, however, set something up with Pay Pal or some similar service and the state will allow a link from the existing CSCHS website to the payment website. We are now looking at options to do that -- what it will cost, etc -- and hope to have something concrete to propose soon.

It may be an opportune time to consider what, if any, other changes to the website board members and committee chairs would like to see.

John