

CONNECTICUT SUPREME COURT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 15, 2005

President Wes Horton called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm. Board members present included Kit Collier, Greg D'Auria, and Chuck Howard. Also present was Justice Peter Zarella.

The minutes of the meeting of August 23, 2005 were approved.

The Board considered the details for the first organizational meeting for the Society. Justices, judges and current and former law clerks have been or will be invited. Mr. Horton had the names of those who had already been sent invitations, and Mr. Howard had a list of approximately 30 people who had already responded affirmatively. Justice Zarella reported that both the Supreme Court Courtroom and the Museum had been secured and that Melissa Farley had agreed to handle the details of obtaining refreshments. Mr. Howard will report to Justice Zarella by September 30 the number of affirmative responses he has received so that final arrangements can be made.

Mr. Horton reported on the agenda for the meeting. He indicated that Chief Justice Sullivan and former Chief Justice Peters had already agreed to make comments, and that he would give a short presentation on former Justice Park. It was agreed to

have recording equipment available to record the comments of the Chief Justices and Mr. Horton for archival purposes, and that copies of materials cited by Mr. Horton would also be made available.

The Board considered possible levels of membership dues, and it was agreed that there would be three classes of members: Sustaining Members, for an annual contribution of \$100; Regular Members, for an annual contribution of \$50; and Student Members, for an annual contribution of \$25. Requests for a waiver of membership fees would be considered on an individual basis. It was agreed that Mr. D'Auria would prepare membership applications to have available at the October 3rd meeting. Mr. D'Auria will also prepare sign up sheets so that people attending may sign up for committees to assist in various activities of the Society, including: Programs and Annual Meeting Committee, Archives Committee, Fundraising Committee, and Publications and Website Committee. It was agreed that a Board member would be designated as a liaison for each committee.

It was agreed that Mr. Howard would make a few comments at the meeting on the 3rd about the sign up sheets for membership and committees and ask for people who would be willing to chair committees. He would also give a brief description of the projected activities of the Society and its committees for the remainder of 2005, including another open meeting of the Society contemplated for early 2006 with reports from the various committees and an annual meeting to be scheduled for the Spring. There was a suggestion that Justice Peters would be a good person to give a historical

presentation at the next open meeting, but members of the Board were encouraged to consider who else might be a good presenter for that meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles L. Howard', written in a cursive style.

Charles L. Howard