

MINUTES
of the Santa Barbara County Bar Association Board of Directors
Wednesday, September 11, 2019

	Present			Present
President Amber Holderness (AH)			Director Iulia Davies (ID)	
Vice President Elizabeth Diaz (ED)	x		Director Stephen Dunkle (SD)	
Secretary Eric Berg (EB)	X		Director Tara Messing (TM)	x
CFO Jennifer Gillon Duffy (JD)	x		Director Chad Prentice (CP)	x
Past President Jeff Chambliss (JC)			Director Michelle Roberson (MR)	x
Director Joe Billings (JB)	x		Director Jeff Soderborg (JS)	
Director Deborah Boswell (DB)			Director Rosaleen Wynne (RW)	x
Director Larry Conlan (LC)				
			Staff: Exec. Director Lida Sideris (LS)	X

1. Call to Order—Welcome

A meeting of the SBCBA Board of Directors was called to order by Vice President ED at 5:15 p.m. on September 11, 2019 at the SBCBA offices, Santa Barbara

2. State of the SBCBA

- a. The Minutes for the August meeting were approved.
- b. Financial Report—Nothing additional to report beyond submitted financials. CP raised question of the rationale for the SBBA having the amount of cash it has on hand. General discussion as to history of SBBA financials, history of size of Bar membership, and potential ideas for increasing the membership base. Also a general discussion of how to increase revenue from events, and how to better publicize the Bar's contributions to the community.
- c. Lawyer Referral Service Report--Report Submitted. Statistics for August 2019 are: Number of Calls: 259 Number of Referrals: 66; Percentage of Clients Referred: 25.5%. Increased number of calls, but fewer referrals as compared to same time last year. Discussions continuing with Judge Carrozzo to include a LRS insertion into a forthcoming Arraignment Court video.

3. Directors' Reports

- a. SB Lawyer Magazine (SD, JB)--Need more ads.
- b. MCLE (DB)--programs pending for In House/Corporate Counsel, Tax, ADR, Civil Litigation, Estate Planning/Probate.
- c. Events (JD, TM, MR)--Golf and Tennis Tourney set for September 27, 2019. Golf at SB Muni, Tennis at SB Tennis Club has been confirmed. Need Tee Sponsors (\$100 each). Annual Dinner date will be November 15, 2019. Location and Cost TBD. Speaker will be AG Xavier Becerra.
- d. Bench and Bar Conference--Set for January 26, 2020 at Santa Barbara Club. Still looking for keynote speaker. Panel speakers confirmed. Solicitations going out for sponsorships; several sponsorships already obtained.
- e. Bench and Bar Relations (JS)--Meeting conducted on August 21 with Judge Carrozzo. Appellate Justices' Reception will be held at Viva on Wednesday October 23.
- f. Fiscal (JD, LC)--Report Submitted.
- g. Awards and Board Development (RW)--Four Board positions are open. Several lawyers have expressed interest in volunteering, and follow up is being scheduled. Regarding Awards, we are not going to give any awards this year based on the limited scope of nominations. Discussion regarding coming up with a concise description for the Humanitarian Award, and ways to promote awareness and interest in the awards generally.
- h. Legislative Liason (AH)--nothing to report
- h. Grants (JC, AH, EB)--Chowder Fest Grant of \$10k approved at last meeting. No current grants being considered.

4. Old Business--None

5. New Business--None

6. Upcoming SBCBA Events

Event	Event date	Last chance for <i>SBL</i> ad	Event	Event date
Next Board Meeting	10-9-19	NA	Golf & Tennis Tourn.	Sept.
Past Pres. Lunch	April/May	NA	Justices' Reception	Oct. 23
Law Week	May		Annual Dinner	Nov. 15
Spring BBQ	June 7	March 1, 2019	Joint Board Meeting	12-11-2019
			Bench & Bar Conf.	Jan.25 2020

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.