



Senior Lawyers Division

Federal Bar Association

Minutes of Meeting

February 11, 2020, 1 pm (EST)

Division Chairman Steve Miller called the meeting to order about 1:00 pm, and after he determined a quorum was present. After asking those on the call to introduce themselves, which they did, Chair Miller asked for a review and approval of the minutes from the previous meeting. The previous minutes were approved without change.

Chair Miller explained that, go forward, the business meetings of the SLD would take place the second Tuesday of each month at 1:00 pm (EST) and that the call-in phone number of (571)-616-0550 and the conference code of 142-942-007# would remain the same for the foreseeable future.

Chair Miller introduced the subject for discussion which included summary of the Division's efforts to draft new bylaws, the effort to establish a regular communication protocol between the SLD and those members whose Division's dues would be payable soon, and those who allowed their dues to expire and their membership to lapse. Richard Theis had circulated a draft document that could be used as a reminder letter or email. Included in the draft were descriptions of the Division's activities over the past 15 months that Chair Miller prepared. After a brief discussion, Laura Mulhern agreed to review the draft and, if helpful, edit it to make the message effective as either an email or a letter. She believed the draft was too long and suggest making it more concise.

Chair Miller described in general terms the planned webinar about joint replacements and orthopedic health. Al Jacobs, Jr. , reminded us that the webinar was scheduled for 11:30 am to 12.30 pm (PST) on Wednesday, the 26th of February. Also, Al described the training and background of the physician. Dr. Bertrand Kaper, who would lead the webinar.

Al asked if Chair Miller and others had read a "Proposed Resolution" (Proposal) about bar membership reciprocity for senior lawyers. Al said that the Proposal was envisioned as a way to help senior layers continue to practice after they might relocate to states that did not allow reciprocity or only limited reciprocity. Chair Miller suggested tabling the discussion until more members of the Division had time to read and study the Proposal. Al agreed to the postponement and offered to circulate his Proposal among the SLD membership.

Chair Miller asked each of the attendees if they wished to add to the subject of new business. John Tolleris presented an update of the pay issues included in the President's proposed budget for Federal agency attorneys and US government employees in general.

Chair Miller adjourned the meeting about 1:35 PM and reminded the group to participate in the joint health and replacement webinar.