



## **Federal Bar Association**

### **International Law Section**

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#### **Board Meeting**

**February 20, 2019**

**In attendance:** Roger Kobert, Beth Persky, Federica Dell'Orto Hadar, Linda Murnane, Dave Acerra, Alea Al-Aghbari, Warren Burke, Joanna Seybert, Stephanie Moncada Gomez, John Thomas, Susan Kilgore, David Wemhoff, Angelika Hunnefeld, Lisa Ridgway, Mimi Tsankov.

**Treasurer's report (Beth):** We had January 2019 revenues of \$285, and expenses of \$19, with a net increase in the fund balance for the month of \$266. Revenues included \$285 in Section dues. Expenses included \$5 in bank fees and \$14 in miscellaneous expenses. The Section's FYTD (10/1/18-01/31/19) gross revenues are \$870. FYTD 2018 gross expenses are \$1035. Our section's beginning fund balance for the year beginning 10/1/18 was \$7,564. Our cash balance as of 01/31/19 was \$7,398. This reflects a net change of \$-165 for the fiscal year (October 2018 -January 2019).

**Membership Report (Susan):** No updated information for the months of January or February. Susan reiterated last month's report. She will send new updated reports for current month as soon as she receives them.

**Marketing / Programming** Beth and Federica are still working on a program with the LA Chapter, for April. Susan has been talking to the State Bar, International Law Section in order to co-sponsor activities. There is nothing concrete yet. Roger is also trying to set up an event in Miami for April. David Wemhoff got in touch with a federal Judge in Indiana who is a member of the Federal Bar and is willing to help putting on a program. Roger expressed his concerns with regard to the approaching summer

months, when there is usually a decreased involvement due to the holidays; Roger wishes we keep up our efforts in this time as well.

. Lisa noted that the International Women's Day is taking place on March 7th, 2019 and mentioned that a statement was issued on the FBA ILS' website. She indicated that multiple statements were also issued for the International Day of the Endangered Lawyer, one by FBA President Maria Vathis, on the Federal Lawyer, one -thanks to Mimi- on the FBA ILS' website and one on Jonathan Turley's Blog. Lisa also indicated that there is a Draft Policy addressing the processes established by the FBA Constitution and Bylaws and the Board of Directors for the advocacy of public policy positions by FBA entities. She suggested we look into said Draft, as it might impact what we can and cannot do in terms of advocating and what kind of public statements we might be able to ask from FBA Presidents. It is still a draft and comments are due by March 1st.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 12 PM EST

*Next Board Meeting* date TBD.