

NEW YORK SOCIETY OF ENROLLED AGENTS  
BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING 2012-2013 TERM  
DESMOND HOTEL  
ALBANY, NY  
OCTOBER 22, 2012

Board of Directors Present: Don Rosenberg, EA - President; John Sheeley, EA -1st Vice-President; Kimberly Manrow, EA - 2nd Vice-President; Judy Strauss, EA - Immediate Past President; Barbara MacDonald, EA - Secretary; Martin Inerfield, EA - Treasurer; Handel Edwards, EA - Director; Michael Hayes, EA - Director; Vicki Hermann, EA - Director; Ann Kummer, EA, CPA - Director; Patrick O'Hara, EA- Director; Brenda Quinn, EA- Director; Jeff Gentner, EA - Executive Director.

Chapter Representatives Present: David Eilers, EA - Capital; Michael Lawrence, EA - Central; Ken Kohlhof, EA - Nassau/Suffolk; Mary Desain, EA- Western.

Excused: Laura Golar, EA - Lower Hudson; Koreen Jervis, EA - Brooklyn/Queens; Juda Kallus, EA - Metro.

Guests: Cecil Buxo, EA; David Locker, EA.

Call To Order: The Board Meeting of the New York State Society of Enrolled Agents was called to order by President Don Rosenberg, EA at 7:00AM on Monday, October 22, 2012.

Reports: President: President Rosenberg, EA welcomed everyone to the board. He outlined his goals for the year.

1. He would like to catch Florida in the membership area.
2. He will work with the Department of Tax & Finance. Evan Golar, EA will be the Chair of the Government Relations Committee. David Silverman will stay as the Legislative Representative.

He then asked board members to express what they want to see happen in NYSSEA. More involvement of members was the main concern.

The Executive Director will take over the upload of CE's and will also prepare a board packet for each of the board meetings.

Unfinished Business:

1. Conference - Brenda Quinn, EA gave an overview of how the weekend went. Registration and Audio Visual Service were good. Food was not as good as had been in the past.
2. By-Laws - A copy of the current by-laws were passed out to all members in attendance. The President requested that board members review the by-laws and send Handel Edwards any suggestions to be considered for the revision by November 10.
3. Finance/Budget Committee - Chairperson Kim Manrow, EA discussed the budgeting procedure. She handed out a proposed SOP for the Finance/Budget Committee.
4. Name Change/Close of Corp - President Rosenberg, EA will continue work on this project.
5. 2013 Conference - Brenda Quinn, EA, Chair of the Conference Committee, expressed some concern about people who stay off site. The location for 2013 does not have other hotels nearby.
6. Fast Forward - John Sheeley, EA will talk with them at APEX. Will look into having advertising on Web Site.
7. PTIN Holders-FOIA Request - John Sheeley, EA will continue with this project.

New Business:

1. Review of Financial Records - A motion was made by Judy Strauss, EA and seconded by Vicki Hermann, EA to have Ann Kummer, EA review the financial records. Motion carried.
2. Standing Committee Appointments - President Rosenberg, EA presented the Standing Committee Chairs:
  - Fiscal Task Force - Kimberly Manrow, EA
  - Conference - Brenda Quinn, EA
  - Conference Education - Jamie Racaniello, EA
  - By-Laws - Handel Edwards, EA
  - Nominating - Judy Strauss, EA
  - Liaison to the NYS Department of Taxation & Finance - Evan Golar, EA
  - Government Relations - David Silverman, EA
  - Strategic Plan - Sandra Martin, EA, Barbara MacDonald, EA

A motion to accept the committee appointments was made by Mike Hayes, EA and seconded by Handel Edwards, EA. Motion carried.

3. PLM - Judy Strauss, EA discussed the problem with the PLM. Currently EA's will not be able to receive CE credits. A motion was made by Barbara MacDonald, EA and seconded by Mike Hayes, EA to co-sponsor the PLM on November 1, 2012, at the Federal Building in Albany, NY. Motion carried.

4. A motion was made by Judy Strauss, EA to refund the registration fee paid by Barry Cohn, EA as he was unable to attend the conference due to illness. Seconded by John Sheeley, EA. Motion carried.

5. A motion was made by Judy Strauss, EA to refund 50% of Executive Director Jeff Gentner's registration fee since he worked during the conference. This is a onetime thing. Seconded by Martin Inerfield, EA. Motion carried.

6. The board discussed holding a leadership session for board members during the afternoon session next year.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned 8:35AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. MacDonald, EA  
Secretary

Approved: As corrected January 5, 2013

As Approved by the NYSSEA Board