



**General Meeting Minutes – February 2024**

**Meeting Held on February 15, 2024 at MSC OFFICES, NYC and Virtual via MS Teams**

**Officers**

<b>Steve Carbery</b>	President
<b>Greg Tuthill</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President
<b>Leo Imperial</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
<b>Justin Dela Cruz</b>	Secretary
<b>Sam Reilly</b>	Treasurer
<b>George Gascer</b>	Assistant Treasurer

**Board Members**

<b>Earl Baim</b>	<b>Seth Lucas</b>
<b>Ted Mason</b>	<b>Jim McEnteggart</b>
<b>Richard McClain</b>	<b>Vin Melwani</b>
<b>Michael Paturas</b>	<b>Mike Trotta</b>

**Past MCAA Presidents**

<b>John Valvo</b>	Past President - 2020
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**MCAA Staff**

<b>Saira Yoo</b>	MCAA Staff
<b>Maggy Giunco</b>	MCAA Staff
<b>Don Gale</b>	Magazine Editor

**College Staff**

<b>Doug Hasbrouck</b>	VP of Development
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**Chapter Presidents**

<b>Art Sulzer (Del Val)</b>	<b>Dennis Brennan (Southern California)</b>
<b>Jim Yahner (Long Island)</b>	<b>Carl Hausheer (Chapter Ambassador)</b>

## **February Meeting Minutes**

**1803: Call to order**

**1807: Roll Call**

**1808: Approval of the January Meeting Minutes not applicable**

**1807: Report from Treasurer: Sam Reilly**

- Approve 2024 budget:
  - Raise the bar for June Golf and Alumni Dinner. Calendar 2023 we were within budget.
  - Software and IT Support – January meeting coming forward from Alma bays. A product that we can add on.
  - Need to formulate a hard budget. Admission and recruiting support – 20,000. Students and alumni to send to high school to bring in more recruiting for the school. Increase and monetize our capabilities from this software.
  - The expectation for Travel budget is for travel and expense. Will be volunteer hours.
  - We need to approve the budget.
  - **Motion carried, all in favor.**
  - \$30,000 raised from the Annual Alumni Dinner
- Treasurer Agenda
  - Budget
    - \$3260 – Gross Income YTD
  - Budget Highlights
    - Dues – 2360 January 24'
    - Underway Fund - 325
    - June Golf – 1315
    - Alumni Dinner – 144996
    - Ancient Marine
    - Total Revenue from events: 89738

**1830: Report from President MCCA: Steve Carbery**

- Budget approval – Passed
- Annual Reports – 2021 & 2022 – We will get them done then after 2023 will be started. May/June reasonable timeframe. But will get a better timeframe for the annual report with Sam, Goerge, and Kumal.
- MOU sent up to SUNY by Doug
  - Parent Association have been asked to submit an MOU
- NYS Workman comp no new news. Money put aside for legal.
- Chapter inactivity – We don't support. Need to have an active list and submitted with at least 25 active members.
- Don Krom Fund – Review MOU – Under scholarship report
- Presidential search update – over 70 applications, we were just asked to put in the top 20. Fantastic candidates, still have a lot to go through. We are starting next Tuesday. 18 people in the committee and bring it down from 20 to 10 candidates.

- Alma base demo – functionality could not demonstrate and have to come back another time. Once the demo is complete will bring it to the board.
- Requesting Boards approval for a \$1,000 for Heidi Cook. **Motion carried, and approved by board** to send \$1,000 to the OBMG scholarship.
- Feb 29<sup>th</sup> for Culture club dinner – all is invited: Send an email to confirm Pat Norman
- Greg and Steve in talks for a possible board retreat or March Thursday Board meeting can be at the ship.
- Potentially move the March Board meeting from the 21<sup>st</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>.

### 1853: Committee Reports

- **Nominations:** Steve Carbery
  - There is a full ballot for all Officer / Board positions.
  - Motion put forth for the Ballot – **Motion carried, all in favor**
  - Validated that Secretary and Asst. Treasurer do not require previous Board experience per the By-laws.
- **Events Committee:** Steve
  - Alumni night was great.
  - New grad dinner will be soon.
  - Admiral's Farewell dinner is on Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - Golf outing will be on Monday June 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **Honors:** Leo Imperial
  - Nothing to report.
- **Magazine:** Ted Mason & Don Gale
  - Ted:
    - On schedule, new communications director and meeting went well. Don is interested in getting sea stories from alumni.
      - Will ask on Facebook to request for sea stories/content.
  - Hoping to get the Fall 23' magazine out in early January 24'.
- **Membership:** Seth Lucas
  - Talked with Mike Lebler. Coordinate the admirals visit/tour on April 21<sup>st</sup> . Putting up from Mike Lebler \$5,000. Seth to coordinate with Saira and Maggy.
- **Audit:** John Valvo
  - Last year with book binders contract.
- **Scholarship:** John Valvo
  - Scholarship applications ends this Friday 2/16/24.
  - Navigating works process. Timeline 2 plus week with. Less than \$400,000 right now in the scholarship. Might not make it to \$5000 to send to the students.
  - Proposed from Maria Carma Dom Crum SST selection and awards policy
    - Signed letter
  - Fund established last year – Baker class of 60
    - Final distribution from his estate- John Valvo to work with Sam Reilly to create an MOU applicable for SST 2024.
  - Need to send Krom some clothes/swag. Maggy/Saira to coordinate and Steve to write a letter within.
- **Public Relations** Rick McClain

- PR side – steady stream of content. Need to be more organized and schedule content to put out. Requesting people to personally submit for
- Propose a process to publish people who recently passed away.
- **By-Law Committee:** Leo Imperial
  - Three meetings since last January Board Meeting – Making progress.
  - Retroactive cleanup
  - Article 9 – annual reports and drop the reference from the magazine.
  - Add definitions in the bylaws.
  - Mission Statement
  - Voting rights – Potentially all each chapter receiving chapters.
    - Changes from membership categories on 2023.
    - Strategic plan recommended – Will resurrect the strategic plan on the agenda for next meeting.
- **Legal/MOU:** Steve Carbery
  - Nothing to report.
- **SWAG Committee:** Vin Melwani
  - 150<sup>th</sup> Logo shirt. To incorporate the ship.
  - Experiment to hire an artist.
- **Governance Committee:** Earl Baim
  - Reported Board members are personally liable if payroll taxes are underpaid.
  - Explain to the board of directors the staffing.

### **2015: Chapters Update**

- Jamie: New Jersey
  - Boots and beers. Wednesdays night and line dancing as well.
  - New Jersey Chapter banner – Looking for a banner.
- Art Delaware Valley
  - Sent information for Schuyler cadets 6 3500
  - Spazza's to push with Parent's associations. Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Dennis Brennan (Southern California)
  - Nothing to report. Dennis requested a current list of Southern California MCAA Members.

### **2024: Unfinished Business**

- An MOU with OBMG along with Parents Association to bring in and participate with

### **2028: New Business**

- Nothing to report.

### **2031: Motion to adjourn meeting**

**2031: Motion carried. February 2024 meeting concluded.**

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