

MINUTES FROM OFFICER'S MEETING

A meeting of the current Dade County Defense Bar Association officers took place on October 10, 2003, to discuss plans for 2003 and 2004. The meeting was attended by Ted Miloch, June Hoffman, Thomas Ice, Hans Murphy, Lyndall Lambert, Denise Garno and Risa Ritter.

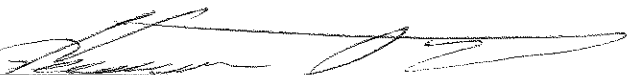
1. A revival of the DCDBA annual dinner dance was discussed, along with a possible cocktail reception. Court reporting agencies and other vendors such as Trial Graphix were mentioned as possible sponsors for such an event. June Hoffman will investigate a venue for the dinner dance, along with potential sponsors, prices, entertainment and compile a list of judges up for election that might be interested in attending.
2. The board discussed a formal means for honoring each year's presenters, including whether this could be incorporated into the annual dinner dance. Ted Miloch will investigate the costs associated with preparing the appropriate plaques.
3. Ted Miloch also will investigate the costs associated with preparing appropriate plaques for outgoing Presidents of the Dade County Defense Bar Association.
4. The board discussed conducting a seminar as an addition to the regular monthly lunches. The format for such an event would be a half-day seminar, beginning in the morning with breakfast and continuing through lunch, from 9 am to 1 pm and carrying 4 CLE credits. February and March 2004 were discussed as possible dates for the seminar. Ted Miloch will create an email poll regarding this idea to the membership. Denise Garno will ask Judge David M. Gersten about participating in such a seminar. Lyndall Lambert noted that the seminar would need an ethics speaker. Andy Berman was suggested as a potential ethics speaker.
5. The board resolved that the Dade County Defense Bar Association should be incorporated as a non-profit entity with the State of Florida. Hans Murphy will review the previous bylaws to see if they require revision or amendment and also will prepare the appropriate paperwork to have the DCDBA incorporated by December 1, 2003.
6. The board resolved that the DCDBA will conduct an annual officers meeting on November 10 of each year at Noon in the Sheraton Biscayne Bay, 495 Brickell Avenue, Miami, FL 33131.
7. The board discussed the procedure for electing officers. The board resolved to reach out to the membership at the regular monthly luncheons and possibly through an email to invite those who are interested in the organization to participate.
8. The board discussed conducting a charitable event for the upcoming holiday season, such as adopting an under-privileged family. The Children's Home Society was discussed as a potential source for identifying such a family. Additionally, the board noted Judge Norman Gerstein's involvement in similar charitable events. Ted Miloch will discuss this with Judge Gerstein and will create an email to the membership requesting their participation in the charity.

9. Tom Ice delivered a Treasury Report stating that the DCDBA has assets of \$13,105.90. The costs of the monthly lunches were discussed and the board resolved to raise the prices by \$5.00 across the board. The board also resolved to keep the price for an individual membership at \$50. With respect to firm memberships, beginning January 1, 2004, the membership fees for firms with 7 attorneys and less will be \$300, and the membership fees for firms with more than 7 attorneys will be \$400.

10. The board resolved to add links to other defense organizations and local courts on its website, including DRI, DCCH, BCCH, WPBCH, USDC, 3d DCA.

Meeting adjourned

DADE COUNTY DEFENSE BAR ASSOCIATION

By: 
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