

Association of Corporate Counsel
Louisiana Chapter

Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
February 17, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Louisiana Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel met via telephone on February 17, 2022.

Board Member	Present or Absent
Daniel LaGrone (President)	P
Kimberly Theriot-Smith (Past President)	P
Molly Vigour (Vice President)	P
Katy Wittmann (Treasurer)	P
Kurt Duncan (Secretary)	P
Edmund Giering	P
Joni A. Johnson	P
Crystal Jones	P
Randy McCann	P
Sophia Ryan	P

Topic	Summary
Call to Order	Mr. LaGrone called the meeting to order.
Review Minutes from Previous Meetings	The Board reviewed the minutes of the meetings held on March 26, 2021, and August 13, 2021. Upon motion made and seconded, the minutes were approved as presented.
Opening Remarks	Mr. LaGrone stated that the Chapter will focus on moving back to more in-person events in 2022 and on re-acclimating the LA Chapter to live events. Discussed the conflict of interest disclosure, which is a new requirement from ACC National; more to come from National on this topic.
Financial Reports	Ms. Wittmann stated that the current profit and loss statement and balance sheet will be available soon.

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	<p>Net income for FY 2021 was \$12,577.21 due to an increase in sponsorships and a decrease in expenses (for example, no ACC National expenses).</p> <p>There was a proposal/motion to allocate additional Chapter funds for the immediate past president and immediate past vice president to attend this year's ACC National Meeting in addition to the Chapter's usual attendees (current president and vice president). The motion was seconded and approved.</p> <p>The Chapter Budget for FY 2022 was discussed and approved by the Board.</p>
<p>Program and Sponsorship Committee</p>	<p>Ogletree Deakins, Kean Miller, Gordon Arata, and Litchfield Cavo are carryover sponsors from last year, so they will not pay sponsorship fees this year.</p> <p>McGlinchey and Jackson Lewis status are uncertain.</p> <p>Four socials are scheduled for this year (two of those are attached to Premier sponsors).</p> <p>Mr. LaGrone raised a concern that a second Loyola CLE event this year (January 2022 CLE already held; September 2022 CLE is on the schedule) would be sparsely attended, thereby providing little value to the sponsor. Discussion ensued about holding Loyola CLE event in January going forward, rather than September. Discussion continued about other alternatives as well, such as skipping the September Loyola CLE this year and offering the Premier sponsors another event instead. The result of the discussion was to forego the September Loyola CLE this year.</p> <p>Calendar update: Riess Lemieux -- moved CLE from February to March (also, the firm has a new attorney contact for the ACC sponsorship and CLEs) Litchfield Cavo -- April Ogletree Deakins -- JazzFest CLE on Friday, April 29 at the City Park location Fisher & Phillips -- May 20 employment CLE at Ruth's Chris in Metairie</p>

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	<p>Gordon Arata -- June</p> <p>Nothing set for July, August, or September</p> <p>Jones Walker – October [Note: we may add one more sponsor CLE in October; TBD]</p> <p>Galloway -- November</p> <p>Ogletree Deakins -- last chance CLE in December</p> <p>Fisher & Phillips -- holiday luncheon in December</p>
Membership Committee	This year the focus will be on enhancing the membership experience rather than recruiting new members.
Public Relations Committee	No report.
Pro Bono/Donations/Diversity	Proposal made to reapply for an ACC Foundation PBJ Grant in order to fund a diversity program (such as DiversiTea); discussed and approved by the Board. Ms. Theriot-Smith will prepare the application to the ACC Foundation.
Scholarship Committee	Mr. Giering reported that he will contact the four Louisiana law schools about the LA Chapter’s 2022 scholarships.
General Business	<p>Joni, Kim, and Daniel – Membership Committee</p> <p>Edmund – Scholarship Committee</p> <p>Kim, Daniel, and Molly - Program and Sponsorship Committee</p> <p>Sophia - Pro Bono Committee</p>
Old/Unfinished Business	There was no unfinished business.
New Business	The next meeting is scheduled for noon on Thursday, May 19 via Zoom.
	There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.