



# AMERICAN SAMOA

BAR ASSOCIATION

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## MINUTES September 29, 2011 Deluxe Café - Tafuna

- I. Opening: Meeting called to order at 6:15pm by President Sean Morrison at Deluxe Cafe with ten members present:
  1. Sean Morrison (President)
  2. Mitzie Folau (Vice President)
  3. Blake Hanley (Secretary)
  4. Kevin Kornegay (Treasurer)
  5. Nathan Mease
  6. Kelly Dixon
  7. Camille Philippe
  8. Michael White
  9. Leslie Cardin
  10. Sharron Rancourt
  
- II. No minutes available.
  
- III. Agenda proposed. Motion to adopt agenda passed.
  
- IV. Officers' Reports
  1. President
    - We now have a seat in the ABA. First meeting to be held in New Orleans to be attended by Charles Alailima and maybe the President. President indicated he may write an article and submit it to the ABA Journal.
    - We received \$30,000 to build a website.
    - The budget is okay.
    - Survey to be given regarding goals and mission of the Bar.
  
  2. Vice President:
    - WS Law Society will send out official invites for their seminar that will take place in the last week of November. They want two speakers from our Bar for MCLEs.

3. Secretary:
  - Talked with Judge Ward regarding a brown bag lunch and the Judge indicated that he was willing. Specifically, Judge wants to discuss some recent Supreme Court cases regarding criminal procedure. Secretary will talk with Judge Ward about a possible date and if the Judge can also address some family law issues.
4. Treasurer: (nothing new to report)

#### V. Committee Reports

1. CLE Committee
  - We need someone to head this committee. Camille Philippe and Leslie Cardin expressed interest.
2. Mediation/ADR Committee
  - Blake Hanley to scan and send out ADR materials to the group.
3. Christmas Party Committee
  - Kevin Kornegay indicated that progress has been made. Sara Sayles (not present) may also be assisting. The party is going to be held at Moana Sina or Falepule.
4. Mock Trial Committee
  - Camille Philippe and Leslie Cardin indicated interest. Lawrence Wilson (not present) should be contacted.

#### VI. New Business

1. Resolutions thanking those involved in obtaining a seat for American Samoa in the ABA (passed unanimously):
  - Jay Foonberg
  - Guam Bar Association, especially Jay Ariola
  - VI Bar Association, especially Tom Bolt
  - CNMI Bar Association, especially Sean Frink and Doug Hartig
  - Ned Fluet
  - Gov. Togiola
  - C. Elisia Frazier
  - CJ Robert J. Torres
2. By-law Quorum Resolution
  - This Resolution would allow eight members to constitute a quorum instead of ten.
  - Nathan Mease brought up issue of proxies and off-island representation. Additionally, Mr. Mease expressed concern about having a fewer number controlling the group. He moved to table the Resolution (Resolution tabled by vote).

#### VII. Meeting adjourned at 7pm.