PBA Annual Meeting  
YLD Business Meeting  
May 7, 2020  
4:00 p.m.  

Zoom Meeting  

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMrcOytrTouGNNFpG7E43tCVoQ1uBzzQFEE

I. Welcome from the Chair (Jen Menichini)

Chair Jennifer Menichini called the YLD Business Meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. via Zoom Meeting. Secretary Garnet Gordon called role for attendance.

II. Adoption of the Minutes  
(https://www.pabar.org/site/For-Lawyers/Young-Lawyers-Division/Meetings-andEvents/Meeting-Minutes)

Conference of County Bar Leaders February 2020 Minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES BY SCHAWNNE KILGUS  
SECONDED BY ALAINA KOLTASH  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

III. Executive Council Reports

a. Treasurer (C. Michelone)

PBA YLD has sufficient funding. Social Events that were scheduled for Spring 2020 have been interrupted by COVID-19. Unused funding for 2020 may be carried forward to host two events in the 2020-2021 term.

b. YLD Division Delegate Report (P. Edger)

Delegate Edger reported that the House of Delegates meets tomorrow, Friday, May 8, 2020. Delegate Edger participated in the Board of Governor’s meeting yesterday and reviewed agenda action items.
Delegate Edger emailed details of the House of Delegates’ Agenda last week and has received many responses. Delegate Edger discussed action items and solicited discussion from the body.

d. Chair Elect (C. O’Boyle)

Chair Elect O’Boyle advised that the Summer Summit is still scheduled for July 2020, but highly likely that it will be canceled. O’Boyle requested YLD members to email him whether or not they would attend if a Summer Summit was held.

e. Chair Report (Jen Menichini)

Chair Menichini welcomed PBA leadership. President Anne John commended the YLD for its tremendous work throughout this challenging time. The YLD, through Jon Koltash, worked with the COVID-19 task force. President John is confident the PBA will remain strong with solid leadership.

President-Elect David Schwager thanked Chair Menichini commenting that he looks forward to the YLD leadership throughout his term as President. President-Elect Schwager wished the YLD well during the trying times and offered any assistance as PBA President.

IV. Zone Reports

Zone Reports were not included because of COVID-19 since activities have been canceled.

V. YLD Projects

Committee Section Liaisons (S. Barney)

Liaison reports were included in the agenda handout. Chair-Elect O’Boyle requested any liaison who wanted to continue in his or her position to contact him for reappointment.

Karen Greathlein commented from the Civil Litigation Section on difficulties in counties without electronic filings and whether the PBA should push for mandate to require electronic filing.

Law School Report (J. Whitehurst)

Jen Whitehurst reported that law schools closed physical campuses and moved to online learning in response to COVID-19. Most law schools altered grading
system for Spring 2020 semester and canceled graduation ceremonies. Students have demonstrated remarkable resiliency. Ms. Whitehurst recommended the YLD to reach out to law students to act as resources, to contact with your alma mater to offer mentorship, and to advertise employment opportunities with the law schools. The Division should consider programming for law students and offering virtual meetings to connect and network with law students.

c. Law Student Representatives (various)
   No law student representatives were in attendance.

d. E-Mentorship Program (A. Koltash)
   Alaina Koltash reported that the program will continue and requested assistance through a subcommittee appointment.

e. Statewide Mock Trial Program ([https://www.pabar.org/site/For-the-Public/Mock-Trial-Competition](https://www.pabar.org/site/For-the-Public/Mock-Trial-Competition))
   PBA canceled the state championship due to the pandemic.

   Wills for Heroes events are currently on hold and will be rescheduled. The Board of Governors approved a temporary amendment to include front line healthcare workers as defined by the national foundation.

VI. Bar Leadership Institute
   Chair Menichini welcomed any BLI attendees.

VII. Amendments to the YLD Bylaws (vote)

   MOTION TO APPROVE THE BYLAW AMENDMENTS AS SUBMITTED
   MADE BY ALAINA KOLTASH
   SECONDED BY ADRIANNE PETERS SIPES
   MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VIII. Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers (A. Koltash)

   MOTION TO NOMINATE
   PAUL EDGER TO THE OFFICE OF CHAIR-ELECT
   CHRISTOPHER T. MICHELONE TO THE OFFICE OF TREASURER
   MELISSA MERCHANT-CALVERT TO THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY
   JENNIFER A. GALLOWAY TO THE OFFICE OF DIVISION DELEGATE
   MELISSA MERCHANT-CALVERT TO THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY
   MADE BY ALAINA KOLTASH
Adrianne Peters Sipes, Triston Chase O’Savio, Shane Young were nominated for the position of ABA Delegate and each were given the opportunity to speak.

Adrianne Peters Sipes addressed the YLD reciting that she is active in bar associations at the local and state level. She is interested in the national level. Ms. Sipes recited her work history.

Triston Chase O’Savio is a labor and employment attorney and was a former federal clerk. Mr. O’Savio has written for the PBA YLD At-Issue magazine. He would like to be more involved in the PBA, he is a people person, and is likeable.

Shane Young is new to the PBA having recently moved to Pennsylvania. The YLD has been a base for him in his new community. Mr. Young was an AmeriCorps volunteer and likes to get to know his state.

A poll was available for anyone participating via Zoom and telephone attendees were to email his or her vote to Maria Engles.

While attendees were voting, Chair Menichini recognized outgoing Secretary Garnet Gordon and Immediate Past Chair Alaina Koltash for their work for the YLD.

Alaina Koltash announced that Chase O’Savio was elected to the office of ABA Delegate. Chair Menichini congratulated Mr. O’Savio and thanked Adrienne Peters Sipes and Shane Young for showing interest.

IX. Upcoming Events

(https://www.pabar.org/site/For-Lawyers/Young-Lawyers-Division/Meetings-and-Events/Upcoming-Events)

a. July 22-24, 2020
   i. PBA Young Lawyers Summer Summit
      1. YLD Business Meeting will occur on Thursday, July 23rd
   ii. Nittany Lion Inn – State College, PA

b. November 19, 2020
   i. PBA Committee Section Day
      1. YLD Business Meeting will occur
   ii. Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey, Harrisburg, PA

c. January 26-30, 2021
   i. PBA Mid Year Meeting
   ii. Disney’s Contemporary Resort, Lake Buena Vista, FL

d. February 25-27, 2021
   i. PBA Conference of County Bar Leaders (CCBL)
1. YLD Business Meeting will occur on Friday, February 26th
   ii. Nittany Lion Inn, State College, PA

e. March 26-27, 2021
   i. PBA Mock Trial Championship
   ii. Dauphin County Courthouse, Harrisburg, PA

f. May 19-21, 2021
   i. PBA Annual Meeting
      1. YLD Business Meeting will occur on Thursday, May 20th
   ii. Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square, Lancaster, PA

X. Old Business

XI. New Business

Chair-Elect O’Boyle will create a task force for law students and young lawyers to address the effects of COVID-19 on their profession. Mr. O’Boyle solicited any comments or recommendations for his tenure as Chair. Chair-Elect O’Boyle commended Chair Menichini on her successes during a tumultuous year.

XII. YLD Social Media

a. Facebook page
   i. https://www.facebook.com/PBA-Young-Lawyers-Division-106615616039759/
   ii. OR search PBA Young Lawyers Division

b. YLD Website
   i. https://www.pabar.org/site/For-Lawyers/Young-Lawyers-Division
   ii. Or search www.pabar.org  For Lawyers  Young Lawyers Division

XIII. Adjourn

Chair Menichini expressed her gratitude for YLD Coordinator Maria Engles.

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY DIANA COLLINS
SECONDED BY JOEL SEELYE
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY