



**minutes of the  
MEMBERS / BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING  
29 June 2015**

Attending: Atty. Pat Barrett, Atty. Tom Carroll, Atty. Paul Essig, Judge William Ford, Atty. Eleni Dimitriou Geishauser, Judge Emil Giordano, Atty. Andrew Hoffman, Atty. Matthew Kloiber, Atty. Daniel Miscavige, Atty. Eugene Orlando, Judge Thomas Parisi, Msgr. Andrew Baker, Fr. Thomas Dailey,

The meeting was convened at 7:02 p.m. by Judge Parisi.

The opening prayer was offered by Msgr. Baker.

Speaking for the Nominating Committee, Atty. Paul Essig made the following nominations, all of which were unanimously approved by the Board.

- for **(re)election to the Board of Governors**, with a **two-year term** of office (ending 2017):
  - Atty. Paul Essig
  - Judge William Ford
  - Atty. Andrew Hoffman
  - Atty. Matthew Kloiber
  - Atty. John Miravich
  - Atty. Daniel Miscavige
  - Atty. Eugene Orlando
  - Judge Thomas Parisi
  - Atty. Gretchen Sterns
- for **election to the Board of Governors**, with a **one-year term** of office (ending 2016):
  - Atty. Pat Barrett
  - Atty. Eleni Dimitriou Geishauser
- as **Officers** of the Society, with a two-year term of office (2015-2017)
  - President ... Atty. Matthew Kloiber
  - Vice-President ... Atty. Eugene Orlando
  - Secretary ... Atty. John Miravich
  - Treasurer ... Atty. Timothy Duckworth

Concerning the Red Mass 2015 ...

- Msgr. Baker announced that the **Most Reverend Bernard Hebda** (Co-Adjutor Archbishop of Newark, NJ) has accepted Bishop Barres' invitation to preach at the Red Mass, which will take place at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
- Judge Parisi elicited volunteers for the **Red Mass Committee**, which now includes Atty. Pat Barrett, Atty. Paul Essig (chair), Atty. Andrew Hoffman, and Atty. Gretchen Sterns as members, with Msgr. Baker serving as advisor.

With regard to Old Business ...

- Msgr. Baker announced that he had received a “thank you” from **Judge Joseph Leeson**, for the Mass celebrated for the judge on the occasion of his installation.
- Atty. Paul Essig noted that he had contact **Dr. Robert O’Hara**, executive director of the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference, with the offer of assistance from the Society in terms of legislative efforts undertaken by the Conference.
- Atty. Matt Kloiber offered a number of previously-discussed **ideas for activities** supported by the Society, with the goal of engaging members in a variety of ways. While details will need to be finalized, these ideas include:
  - evenings at sporting events, in Allentown (Lehigh Valley IronPigs and/or Lehigh Valley Phantoms) and/or in Reading (Fightin Phils and/or Reading Royals)
  - local (county-wide) “happy hour” celebrations at downtown locations
  - a CLE panel on Marriage to present recent SCOTUS opinion(s)
  - an essay contest for schools about St. Thomas More
  - engagement with the “My Brother’s Keeper Challenge”

In terms of New Business ...

- Atty. Matt Kloiber proposed the creation of an **Executive Committee** of the Board of Governors. The Board unanimously agreed and determined membership on this committee to consist of the four (4) Officers and three (3) other members, to be named by the new President.
- The Board approved the admission of Atty. Tom Carroll as a **new member** of the Society.
- Judge Parisi suggested that the Society support the celebration of a **local Mass** for lawyers & judges in each of the five (5) counties in the diocese.
- Fr. Dailey announced two **events at DeSales University** that may be of interest to members of the Society:
  - a presentation/signing of the book *Scalia: A Court of One* by author Bruce Allen Murphy, on October 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
  - a lecture on Religious Freedom by Prof. Robert George on January 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
- Fr. Dailey announced that **administrative assistance** with marketing & communications about the Society is being provided by Gabrielle Parisi, a student at DeSales University.
- Atty. Matt Kloiber, newly elected President, offered the **gratitude** of the Society for the work completed by Judge Parisi and the other Officers of the Society.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

**Next Meeting of the Board of Governors:  
October 6, 2015 at DeSales University**