

South Carolina Women Lawyers Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 17, 2016

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Minutes**
- III. President's Report**
- IV. Treasurer's Report**
- V. SCWLA Foundation**
- VI. Committees**
 - a. Bissell Award Committee – Julie Moose**
 - b. Bylaws Committee –Ayesha Washington**
 - c. Community Outreach Committee – Allyce Bailey**
 - d. Fall 2016 Awards Reception Committee – Amanda Williams**
 - e. Fall 2017 Annual Conference Planning/Education Committee – Jennifer Howe**
 - f. Long Range Planning Committee – Mary Beth Pfister**
 - g. Media/Communications Committee – Sima Patel**
 - h. Membership Committee – Courtney Fleck**
 - i. Military Subcommittee - Kathy Smith**
 - j. Professional Development Committee – Sheila Bias**
 - k. Regional Activity Committee – Jennie Cerrati**
 - l. Supreme Court Trip Committee – Amie Clifford**
 - m. Toal Award Committee – Marguerite Willis**
- VII. New Business**
 - a. Columbia Reception**
 - b. Communications Scheduling**
- VIII. Member News**
- IX. Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 20, 2016 at 12 Noon, Willoughbyhoefer.com**
- X. Adjourn to 2015 SCWLA Award Reception**

Meeting Minutes 01-23-16

SOUTH CAROLINA WOMEN LAWYERS ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Saturday, January 23, 2016

The Board of Directors of the South Carolina Women Lawyers Association met at Nexsen Pruet Law Firm in Charleston, South Carolina on Saturday, January 23, 2016, at 12:00 p.m.

Board members present at the meeting were: President-Elect, Kelly Jolley; Treasurer Julie Moose; Secretary Molly Cherry; Sheila Bias; Jennie Cerrati; Lynsey Kmetz; Carmen Mullen; Laura Paton; Jennifer Ruben, Amanda Williams and Flo Vinson.

Board Members participating by phone were President Marguerite Willis; Lisa Claxton, Amie Clifford; Mary Beth Pfister; Cindy Ouzts; Jennifer Howe; Immediate Past President Tara Dawn Shurling; and Hannah Metcalf.

Board Members absent: Jennifer Ashburn; Ashley Cuttino; Karen Huelson; Meliah Jefferson; Alison Lee; Sarah Leverette; Kristen Nichols; Stephanie Nye; and Ayesha Washington.

Others present: Melinda (“Mikki”) Lindler; Lonnesse Williams; and Mary Platts.

I. Call to Order. President Willis called the meeting to order, with a quorum of board members present.

ACTION TAKEN: The slate of officers from the nominating committee was submitted for vote. A vote was taken, and the slate approved unanimously. The new officers are: President Kelly Jolley; President-Elect Julie Moose; Treasurer Molly Cherry and Secretary Sheila Bias. Marguerite Willis is the Immediate Past President.

President Jolley took over the meeting, welcoming two regional representatives in attendance: Lonnesse Williams and Mary Platts. She thanked out-president Willis and out-going board members for their service and recognized this year’s board.

ACTION TAKEN: A motion was made and unanimously approved to elect Sima Patel as a new board member for 2016.

II. Minutes. The Minutes of the December 11, 2015 Board Meeting were discussed.

ACTION TAKEN: A motion was unanimously approved to accept the December 11, 2015 Minutes, with the correction of the spelling of Amie Clifford’s name.

III. Treasurer’s Report. Out-going Treasurer Julie Moose referred to the financial reports submitted in advance of the meeting and confirmed SCWLA’s finances are in good order.

President Jolley went over the budget for this year, explaining differences in this year’s budget and reasons for certain increases and decreases in revenues and expenses. The board discussed a number of items in the proposed budget, including a detailed discussion over regional expenses.

President Jolley also highlighted her interest in creating a new award for emerging leaders, specifically sending a member to a leadership conference such as SC Leadership.

ACTION TAKEN: A motion was made to approve the proposed 2016 budget with the changes to increase funds for the two women-in-law organizations at the two law schools in the state by \$500 each for a total of \$2000 each. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

IV. Committees.

President Jolley is going to circulate a sign-up sheet for committees to seek members and chairs.

Annual Conference. Sheila Bias reported that the annual conference has been rescheduled for Friday, March 18, 2016, at the SC Bar conference center. Registration fee will be \$150 for SCWLA members and \$200 for non-members. Four hours of CLE credit will be offered. We need about 87 members registered to break even financially. The theme is "Taking Care of Business," and Sheila described each of the presentations that will be given.

Foundation. Julie reported that the 2015 scholarship winners will be presented at the awards ceremony scheduled for March 17, 2016. The 2016 scholarship winners will be announced at the fall awards ceremony. Julie is soliciting ideas for fund-raising for the foundation.

Membership. Mary Beth reported that the membership survey was circulated. Once the results have been compiled, they will be circulated to the membership.

Professional Development/Mentoring. Sheila referred to the written report submitted in advance of the meeting.

By-laws. There are a number of issues pending with the by-laws. The by-laws committee will continue to work through the issues and the proposed revised by-laws will be submitted in March for a vote.

Long-range planning. President Jolley discussed a number of long-range planning ideas and the reasons behind changes being proposed by the committee. She went over the committee report and request for action from August 19, 2015, which request was tabled in August.

A discussion ensued over the proposed actions submitted by the committee.

ACTION TAKEN: Amie Clifford made a motion to amend the request for action from the committee, per her proposed written changes emailed today, including to tie regional representation on the board to the number of regional members. Amie withdrew her proposal with regard to the regional representation, which would be to strike "g" from the committee's proposal, and allows for excused absences that would not count against one of the three absences that would exclude someone from the board. A vote was taken, with three voting in favor. Amendment did not carry.

A motion was made to approve the proposal from the committee. A motion was made for a roll call vote, and approved. The roll call vote is as follows:

Julie Moose; Molly Cherry; Marguerite Willis; Jennie Cerrati; Lisa Claxton; Jennifer Howe; Carmen Mullen; Mary Beth Pfister; Amanda Williams; Kelly Jolley

Amie Clifford; Sheila Bias; Hannah Metcalf; Laura Paton; Tara Dawn Shurling; Lynsey Kmetz

The proposal was approved by the quorum present and voting. The proposal will now go to the by-laws committee for discussion at the next meeting in March. The by-laws committee will endeavor to get the proposed changes to the board for consideration by March 1.

Regional Activity/Regional Reports. Jennie Cerrati has agreed to head up the coordination of the regional efforts.

V. Member News

Out-going board member Jennifer Rubin expressed her enjoyment serving on the board and is leading by example by rotating off the board. Mary Platts, the regional representative for the Charleston area, will be on maternity leave in March and has made arrangements for another point person while she is out. Out-going board member Flo Vinson expressed her enjoyment, as well, and shared that she will be a Social Security Judge in Fayetteville, North Carolina, moving in February.

VIII. Next Board Meeting. The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 17, 2016, at Richardson Plowden's office in Columbia at 4 p.m. so that we can go to the awards reception afterward.

IX. Adjourn. A motion was approved by those present to adjourn the meeting, and the meeting was adjourned.

Treasurer Report

South Carolina Women Lawyers Association
BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY
As of March 16, 2016

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	146,849.23
Total Current Assets	<u>\$146,849.23</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$146,849.23</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	146,849.23
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u><u>\$146,849.23</u></u>

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Description	2016 Budget	Actual
Dues		\$67,433.80
Student Membership	200.00	0
Sustainer Membership	2,000.00	\$100.00
Regular Membership	75,000.00	\$2,530.16
Interest - Wells Fargo 3.89; BB&T 15.00	50.00	
Program Income (ladder pins) Logo Bow ties, T-Shirts	100.00	-\$1,110.64 Bow ties and LP \$160.00
Transfer from Savings	19,872.00	0
Bissell Reception Sponsors / Conf. Sponsors & Exhibitors	22,300.00	0
Conference Registrations	15,000.00	0
US Supreme Court Trip	0.00	0
TOTAL INCOME:	134,522.00	\$68,953.32
US Supreme Court Trip		\$262.20
Awards and Gifts (Bissell, Toal & President)	3,500.00	0
Bank Service Charges	50.00	0
Charitable Donations (**1,250.00 Habitat)	0.00	0
Communications (Website & Webmaster) (1)	3,000.00	\$1005.36
Conf. of Women Bar Assn's Summit	3,300.00	0
Travel Expenses (President's In-State Travel)	500.00	0
Continuing Education Approval	200.00	0
Dues and Subscriptions [NCWBA]	\$550.00	\$300.00
Office Supplies (Storage)	900.00	\$98.00
Postage and Delivery	100.00	\$49.00
Conference & 2015 Award Reception Expenses	33,597.00	\$3011.71
2016 Award Reception	10,000.00	0
Annual Board Dinner	2,000.00	0
SC Bar Convention	2,000.00	\$800.64
Board Expenses [lunches]	1,000.00	0
Co-Sponsorships	1,000.00	0
Judicial Receptions (New Judges)	1,000.00	\$250.00
USC WIL	1,500.00	0

CSOL WIL (2)	1,500.00	0
Region (Pool) & Support	2,500.00	0
Grand Strand-Myrtle Beach (3)	2,000.00	0
Low Country-Charleston (3)	3,000.00	233.96
Midlands-Columbia (3)	4,000.00	\$811.87
Old English-Rock Hill (3)	2,000.00	0
Pee Dee-Florence (3)	2,000.00	0
Sea Islands-Hilton Head (3)	2,000.00	\$155.45
Upstate-Greenville, Spartanburg (3)	3,000.00	\$127.00
Mentoring Program/Professional Development (4)	10,000.00	0
Membership Program/Drive	2,000.00	0
Wages (Executive Director)	27,000.00	\$4,773.11
Expenses ED [phone, payroll, mileage, June & Assoc.] ***	2,000.00	\$539.86
External Hard Drive, Printer, Cartridges	1,000.00	0
SCWLA Insurance	1,500.00	0
Special Projects	\$1,000.00	0
Leadership Conference Sponsorship	3,750.00	0
Business Cards	75.00	0
TOTAL EXPENSES:	134,522.00	\$12,631.84

*** Just sold 10 ladder pins \$500.00 to Stephanie Lewis/Greenville**

*** T-shirts will be sold at the convention.**

South Carolina Women Lawyers Association
PROFIT AND LOSS DETAIL
 January 1 - March 16, 2016

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	SPLIT	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Ordinary Income/Expenses							
Income							
Dues Payment							
01/20/2016	Deposit			1st Payment from the bar	Wells Fargo	38,695.30	38,695.30
02/26/2016	Deposit			2nd Payment from SC Bar	Wells Fargo	28,738.50	67,433.80
Total for Dues Payment						\$67,433.80	
Regular Memberships							
01/10/2016	Deposit			Nancy Monts, Melody Brown, Tina Herbert, Michelle Dhunjishah, Ann Allison, Jo Watson Hackl, Debbie Dusseljee	Wells Fargo	610.00	610.00
01/20/2016	Deposit			Elizabeth J. Saraniti	Wells Fargo	85.00	695.00
01/20/2016	Deposit			Carmen Harper Thomas	Wells Fargo	85.00	780.00
01/28/2016	Deposit		Paypal	Membership payments one Student membership	Wells Fargo	695.16	1,475.16
02/09/2016	Deposit			Courtney Fleck	Wells Fargo	45.00	1,520.16
02/09/2016	Deposit			Angela McCall	Wells Fargo	85.00	1,605.16
02/12/2016	Deposit			Katherine Shanz \$85 Mary Lucas \$45	Wells Fargo	130.00	1,735.16
02/26/2016	Deposit			Dues 2016	Wells Fargo	85.00	1,820.16
02/26/2016	Deposit			Dues 2016	Wells Fargo	85.00	1,905.16
02/26/2016	Deposit			Dues 2016	Wells Fargo	85.00	1,990.16
02/26/2016	Deposit			Dues 2016	Wells Fargo	85.00	2,075.16
02/26/2016	Deposit			Dues 2016	Wells Fargo	85.00	2,160.16
02/26/2016	Deposit			Dues 2016	Wells Fargo	85.00	2,245.16
02/26/2016	Deposit			Dues 2016	Wells Fargo	85.00	2,330.16
03/11/2016	Deposit			Barbara Seymour, Grace Knie, Ashley Parr, Ane Kearse	Wells Fargo	300.00	2,630.16
Total for Regular Memberships						\$2,630.16	
accountsTotal for Dues Payment with sub-accounts.						\$70,063.96	
Program Income							
02/09/2016	Deposit			bow ties	Wells Fargo	110.00	110.00
Total for Program Income						\$110.00	
Ladder Pins							
02/09/2016	Deposit			Maliah Bowers Jefferson	Wells Fargo	50.00	50.00
Total for Ladder Pins						\$50.00	
T-Shirts							
02/26/2016	Expense		Customink LLC	T-Shirts 100	Wells Fargo	-1,270.64	-1,270.64
Total for T-Shirts							

						\$ -1,270.64	
accountsTotal for Program Income with sub-accounts.						\$ -1,110.64	
US Supreme Court Event							
02/17/2016	Check	2464	Amie Clifford	SCOTUS Admissions Trip 2015	Wells Fargo	-262.20	-262.20
Total for US Supreme Court Event						\$ -262.20	
Total for Income						\$68,691.12	
Expenses							
Bissell Reception Expenses							
02/11/2016	Check	2463	Nexsen Pruet, LLC	2016 Bissell Invitations	Wells Fargo	105.00	105.00
02/19/2016	Check	2466	Richland County Sheriffs Department	Security 2016 conference	Wells Fargo	200.00	305.00
03/03/2016	Check	2468	Marguerite Willis	Reimbursement Postage Awards Reception Judicial invitations	Wells Fargo	139.68	444.68
Total for Bissell Reception Expenses						\$444.68	
Communications							
Website/Webmaster							
01/04/2016	Check	2452	18th Street Design	Maintenance fee 2016 January	Wells Fargo	200.00	200.00
01/26/2016	Check	2455	18th Street Design	February Maintenance	Wells Fargo	200.00	400.00
02/17/2016	Expense		Intermedia	2016 payment (saved by paying yearly vs monthly)	Wells Fargo	405.36	805.36
03/03/2016	Check	2469	18th Street Design	March Maintenance	Wells Fargo	200.00	1,005.36
Total for Website/Webmaster						\$1,005.36	
Total for Communications						\$1,005.36	
Conference Expenses							
01/19/2016	Expense		Tiger Lily	Board Meeting - Flowers for the table	Wells Fargo	195.29	195.29
03/15/2016	Expense		Marriot Hotel	Mike Etheridge - Hotel 1 night March 17th CLE Speaker	Wells Fargo	181.45	376.74
03/15/2016	Expense		Southern Way Inc.	3/18/2016 CLE Event	Wells Fargo	2,190.29	2,567.03
Total for Conference Expenses						\$2,567.03	
Dues and Subscriptions							
01/27/2016	Check	2458	NCWBA	2016 Membership	Wells Fargo	300.00	300.00
Total for Dues and Subscriptions						\$300.00	
Expenses ED							
01/04/2016	Check	2451	Melinda Lindler	Phone January 2016	Wells Fargo	50.00	50.00
01/11/2016	Deposit			added to make the account balance	Wells Fargo	-4.01	45.99
01/26/2016	Check	2454	Melinda Lindler	Cash box Convention - This cash will stay in the Cash box for luncheon change	Wells Fargo	100.00	145.99
01/27/2016	Check	2459	Melinda Lindler	2016 SC Bar convention Charleston ED expenses	Wells Fargo	289.86	435.85
02/05/2016	Check	2461	Melinda Lindler	February Phone reimbursement	Wells Fargo	50.00	485.85
03/08/2016	Check	2470	Melinda Lindler	March Phone	Wells Fargo	50.00	535.85
Total for Expenses ED						\$535.85	

Judicial Receptions/New Judges

02/25/2016	Check	2467	South Carolina Bar Association	Justice Few Investiture Reception	Wells Fargo	250.00	250.00
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Total for Judicial Receptions/New Judges**\$250.00****Member support**

01/06/2016	Expense		Rosewood Florist	Flowers to Ruth Cupp	Wells Fargo	74.36	74.36
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Total for Member support**\$74.36****Membership Program/Drive**

01/08/2016	Expense		UPrinting	SCWLA Stickers 2000	Wells Fargo	274.22	274.22
01/12/2016	Check	2453	Image360	SCWLA Banner for Bar Convention	Wells Fargo	131.20	405.42

Total for Membership Program/Drive**\$405.42****Office Supplies/Storage**

01/19/2016	Expense		CampaignMonitor	Monthly subscription 18 Jan - 17 Feb	Wells Fargo	29.00	29.00
02/12/2016	Expense		CampaignMonitor		Wells Fargo	20.00	49.00
02/19/2016	Expense		CampaignMonitor	18 February to 17 March	Wells Fargo	49.00	98.00

Total for Office Supplies/Storage**\$98.00****Postage and Delivery**

01/27/2016	Check	2457	Nexsen Pruet	Stamps 100	Wells Fargo	49.00	49.00
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Total for Postage and Delivery**\$49.00****Regions****Low Country- Charleston**

01/26/2016	Check	2456	Barbara Seymour	Sea Island/Low Country - Mileage, hotel, lunch (8) Split 348.83	Wells Fargo	174.00	174.00
02/02/2016	Check	2460	Mary Platts	January Regional Lunch	Wells Fargo	59.96	233.96

Total for Low Country- Charleston**\$233.96****Midlands- Columbia**

01/10/2016	Expense		Palmetto Club	01-07-2016 Luncheon 76 attended	Wells Fargo	1,368.36	1,368.36
01/10/2016	Deposit			Luncheon 1-7-16	Wells Fargo	-1,080.00	288.36
01/20/2016	Deposit			luncheon 01/07/2016	Wells Fargo	-50.00	238.36
02/12/2016	Deposit				Wells Fargo	-795.00	-556.64
02/12/2016	Expense	2472	Palmetto Club	02-11-16 CLE/Luncheon	Wells Fargo	1,059.77	503.13
02/26/2016	Deposit			Feb Luncheon	Wells Fargo	-35.00	468.13
02/26/2016	Deposit			Feb Luncheon	Wells Fargo	-15.00	453.13
03/10/2016	Check	2471	Palmetto Club	March Luncheon	Wells Fargo	1,199.74	1,652.87
03/11/2016	Deposit			Midlands March Lunch	Wells Fargo	-841.00	811.87

Total for Midlands- Columbia**\$811.87****Sea Islands - Hilton Head**

01/26/2016	Check	2456	Barbara Seymour	Sea Island/Low Country - Mileage, hotel, lunch (8) Split 348.83	Wells Fargo	174.83	174.83
02/09/2016	Deposit				Wells Fargo	-19.38	155.45

Total for Sea Islands - Hilton Head**\$155.45**

Upstate- Greenville/Spartanburg							
02/05/2016	Check	2462	Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd	01/28/16 luncheon/CLE reimbursement	Wells Fargo	16.71	16.71
02/19/2016	Check	2465	Barbara Seymour	CLE/luncheon 2-18-16	Wells Fargo	110.40	127.11
Total for Upstate- Greenville/Spartanburg						\$127.11	
Total for Regions						\$1,328.39	
South Carolina Bar Convention							
01/19/2016	Expense		Walmart	Bar Convention Table	Wells Fargo	46.46	46.46
01/26/2016	Expense		Wyndham Hotels and Resorts	South Carolina Bar Convention	Wells Fargo	754.18	800.64
Total for South Carolina Bar Convention						\$800.64	
Wages							
01/04/2016	Check	2450	June and Associates PA	Quarterly Fee Dec 2016	Wells Fargo	175.00	175.00
01/12/2016	Expense		Intuit Payroll S Quickbooks		Wells Fargo	770.96	945.96
01/15/2016	Expense		IRS Usataxpymt		Wells Fargo	630.36	1,576.32
01/19/2016	Expense		SC Dept Revenue Debit		Wells Fargo	167.31	1,743.63
01/26/2016	Expense		Intuit Payroll S Quickbooks		Wells Fargo	770.97	2,514.60
01/29/2016	Expense		IRS Usataxpymt		Wells Fargo	84.00	2,598.60
02/01/2016	Expense		Scdew Taxpayment Debit		Wells Fargo	104.33	2,702.93
02/09/2016	Expense		Intuit Payroll S Quickbooks		Wells Fargo	769.20	3,472.13
02/16/2016	Expense		IRS Usataxpymt		Wells Fargo	420.22	3,892.35
02/17/2016	Expense		SC Dept Revenue Debit		Wells Fargo	111.54	4,003.89
02/23/2016	Expense		Intuit Payroll S Quickbooks		Wells Fargo	769.22	4,773.11
Total for Wages						\$4,773.11	
Total for Expenses						\$12,631.84	
Net Income						\$56,059.28	

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Reconciliation Report

Wells Fargo, Period Ending 02/29/2016

Reconciled on: 03/11/2016 (any changes to transactions after this date aren't reflected on this report)

Reconciled by: Mikki Lindler

Summary

Statement Beginning Balance	90,561.75
Interest Earned	+0.64
Checks and Payments cleared	-5,711.47
Deposits and Other Credits cleared	+30,617.88
Statement Ending Balance	115,468.80
Uncleared transactions as of 02/29/2016	-1,797.62
Register Balance as of 02/29/2016	113,671.18
Uncleared transactions after 02/29/2016	-448.42
Register Balance as of 03/11/2016	113,222.76

Details

Checks and Payments cleared

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
01/26/2016	Check	2455	18th Street Design	-200.00
01/26/2016	Check	2456	Barbara Seymour	-348.83
01/27/2016	Check	2457	Nexsen Pruet	-49.00
01/27/2016	Check	2458	NCWBA	-300.00
01/27/2016	Check	2459	Melinda Lindler	-289.86
02/01/2016	Expense		Scdew Taxpayment Debit	-104.33
02/02/2016	Check	2460	Mary Platts	-59.96
02/05/2016	Check	2461	Melinda Lindler	-50.00
02/05/2016	Check	2462	Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd	-16.71
02/09/2016	Expense		Intuit Payroll S Quickbooks	-769.20
02/11/2016	Check	2463	Nexsen Pruet, LLC	-105.00
02/12/2016	Expense		CampaignMonitor	-20.00
02/16/2016	Expense		IRS Usataxpymt	-420.22
02/17/2016	Expense		Intermedia	-405.36
02/17/2016	Check	2464	Amie Clifford	-262.20
02/17/2016	Expense		SC Dept Revenue Debit	-111.54
02/19/2016	Expense		CampaignMonitor	-49.00
02/19/2016	Check	2465	Barbara Seymour	-110.40
02/23/2016	Expense		Intuit Payroll S Quickbooks	-769.22
02/26/2016	Expense		Customink LLC	-1,270.64
Total				-5,711.47

Deposits and Other Credits cleared

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
02/09/2016	Deposit			309.38
02/12/2016	Deposit			925.00
02/26/2016	Deposit			29,383.50
Total				30,617.88

Additional Information

Uncleared Checks and Payments as of 02/29/2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11/30/2006	Check		Wachovia Bank	-8.00

06/03/2008 Check	db	Phoenix Park Hotel	-20.00
09/09/2011 Check	ATM		-4.00
03/03/2012 Check	ATM		-0.20
04/30/2014 Deposit	INTEREST		-0.54
12/31/2014 Journal	1		-505.75
01/21/2015 Check		Gallery Leather Co., Inc.	-87.50
06/09/2015 Check	2375	Bess Lochochi	-71.52
09/04/2015 Check		Cash	-35.00
10/01/2015 Expense		E. Katherine Wells	-5.00
11/13/2015 Check	2428	Amie Clifford	-25.75
01/06/2016 Expense		Rosewood Florist	-74.36
02/12/2016 Expense	2472	Palmetto Club	-1,059.77
02/19/2016 Check	2466	Richland County Sheriff's Department	-200.00
02/25/2016 Check	2467	South Carolina Bar Association	-250.00

Total -2,347.39

Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits as of 02/29/2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10/31/2006 Deposit			Wachovia Bank	0.00
11/30/2006 Deposit			Wachovia Bank	0.00
12/29/2006 Deposit			Wachovia Bank	1.93
02/01/2007 Deposit			Wachovia Bank	0.00
02/28/2007 Deposit			Wachovia Bank	0.00
03/30/2007 Check			interest	0.00
05/25/2007 Check		1729	Eleanor Kellett	0.00
10/24/2007 Check		1753	void	0.00
10/31/2007 Deposit			Transfer	0.00
01/12/2010 Deposit				375.00
05/11/2010 Deposit			Members	15.00
10/06/2010 Check			void	
10/12/2010 Check			void	
11/05/2010 Deposit			Paypal	157.84
Total				549.77

Uncleared Checks and Payments after 02/29/2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
03/03/2016 Check		2468	Marguerite Willis	-139.68
03/03/2016 Check		2469	18th Street Design	-200.00
03/08/2016 Check		2470	Melinda Lindler	-50.00
03/10/2016 Check		2471	Palmetto Club	-1,199.74
Total				-1,589.42

Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits after 02/29/2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
03/11/2016 Deposit				1,141.00
Total				1,141.00

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Reconciliation Report

BB&T Money Market, Period Ending 02/29/2016

Reconciled on: 03/11/2016 (any changes to transactions after this date aren't reflected on this report)

Reconciled by: Mikki Lindler

Summary

Statement Beginning Balance	35,999.37
Interest Earned	+1.43
Checks and Payments cleared	0.00
Deposits and Other Credits cleared	+0.00
Statement Ending Balance	36,000.80
Uncleared transactions as of 02/29/2016	-2.95
Register Balance as of 02/29/2016	35,997.85

Additional Information

Uncleared Checks and Payments as of 02/29/2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10/31/2014	Deposit	INTEREST		-1.53
12/31/2015	Deposit	INTEREST		-22.55
01/29/2016	Deposit	INTEREST		-1.52
02/29/2016	Deposit	INTEREST		-1.43
Total				-27.03

Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits as of 02/29/2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
07/31/2008	Deposit		Transfer	0.00
11/28/2014	Deposit			1.48
12/31/2014	Deposit			1.53
01/31/2015	Deposit			1.53
02/27/2015	Deposit			1.38
03/31/2015	Deposit			1.53
04/30/2015	Deposit			1.48
05/29/2015	Deposit			1.53
06/30/2015	Deposit			1.48
07/31/2015	Deposit			1.53
08/31/2015	Deposit			1.53
09/30/2015	Deposit			1.48
10/30/2015	Deposit			1.48
11/30/2015	Deposit			1.48
12/31/2015	Deposit			1.53
12/31/2015	Deposit			3.11
Total				24.08

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Community Outreach Committee

Community Outreach Committee
March Committee Report

- Allyce Bailey, Marguerite Willis, and Laura Hart were featured in the March 2016 issue of *SC Lawyer Magazine* for their participation in the Flood Relief Drive.
- Several committee members will be participating in the YLD/SCWLA Womens Shelter Refurbishment Project on Saturday, March 19.
 - Pictures and further reporting to follow event.
- Next upcoming community service event
 - Participation in SC Community Day of Service
 - more details to follow

Membership Committee

Membership Committee Update Quarter 1 2016

Current Committee Members and Status:

Courtney Fleck-Chair; interim USC liaison
Mary Beth Pfister-Previous Chair
Marshall Newton
Edye Moran
Sheila Bias
Jess Gooding
Robin Wheeler
Catherine Chase- CSOL liaison
Mary LaFave
Laura Paton
Amy McCardle-New
Page Snyder
Kathleen Muthig- will be less involved during maternity leave
Stephanie Nye- currently on maternity leave

Considerations from 2015

Reduced Dues for Public Sector Attorneys

Based on the results of the survey, this seems unnecessary.

Member Survey Results (See attached)

Overall, it appears that members are happy with the programming but would like a greater variety and most importantly for those events to be across the state instead of being centralized in a single region. The committee believes that the Regional Representatives appointed this year will help the organization grow across the state so that we are better able to meet the needs of our members.

New Member Involvement

We implemented the new member letter that Mikki sends to any new member.

2016 Initiatives and Plans

Written SCWLA Materials

Mary Beth Pfister is drafting materials regarding membership benefits to hand out at the Bar Convention and similar instances in which SCWLA has a table at gatherings.

Possible April Events

Jess Gooding and Robin Wheeler are working to coordinate a 1.5 hour CLE and yoga session with Tina Cundari and someone at the bar with either Lawyers Helping Lawyers or the Living Above the Bar. If the schedules for the individuals don't match up, we will look to schedule the event later in the year, possibly summer.

Charleston members are coordinating to schedule a possible candle-making event at Candle Fish on Wentworth Street. They are currently considering different pricing options.

May Events

Membership committee members in both Charleston and Columbia are coordinating with the law school WIL groups to schedule graduation/happy hour events in both areas. As discussed last year, the law school students are an important pool of potential SCWLA members.

June Event

Edye Moran is coordinating an event entitled "Path to Becoming a Judge" in which Elizabeth Brogdon will speak and we will possibly have a panel of judges. Based on scheduling, we are still debating whether to break this event into two parts. The "Path to Becoming a Judge" session will include handouts and materials.

Early Fall

We plan to host additional happy hour events in various regions in the fall. Given the other events we have proposed in the next few months, the committee will schedule another meeting in late April-early June to plan events for the fall.

General Notes from Membership Survey:

- Highest number of responses from the Midlands and Low Country areas
- Largest contingent of responses were from those practicing 10+ years
- Smallest number of responses from those in practice 0-3 years
- Type of practice seems well balanced
- Amount for dues seems to be reasonable given the number of attorneys in small firms and government lawyers (who have to pay their own dues rather than it being a firm expense)

Overview of benefits based on responses

Keep	Mixed Reviews	Consider eliminating
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional luncheons • CLEs • E-Newsletter • Job posting service • SCWLA discounts • Better referral network • Regional social events • Information on board/commission appointments • Career planning • Business development • Work/life balance • Time management • Retirement planning • Ethics/professionalism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convention • Leadership opportunities • Supreme Court admission • Community outreach • Pursuing judicial positions • Information about award and recognitions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentor/protégée program • Referral network • State-wide social events • Solo/small firm management

CLE Recommendations:

- Mental health/substance abuse credits
- “How to”/practice tips/legal writing/litigation
- Workshops
- Case law updates
- Ethics

Other recommendations:

- Regional benefits-uniformity of benefits outside of the Midlands
- Social gatherings with law students
- Vary meeting/event times
- Lunches/CLEs
- Speakers from outside profession on success/goals
- Variety in lunches (menu/location)
- Make it easier to utilize the referral network (searchable on membership directory)

General Notes on Membership:

- Approximately 880 active members statewide
- Goal One for 2016: increase in membership by 10%
- Goal Two for 2016: greater ownership of programming by regional representatives

Military Committee

To: Mikki Lindler
Executive Director
SCWLA

From: **Military Committee**
Kathy Smith

Date: March 15, 2016

Re: Military Committee Report

The committee studied a proposed South Carolina rule in its various forms titled “Limited Certificate of Admission for Military Spouse Attorneys” and provided comments in general support to the South Carolina Supreme Court on March 4, 2016, after earlier correspondence with then-SCWLA President Marguerite Willis concerning the committee’s support of the proposal. Copy of letter to Supreme Court Chief Justice Pleicones attached.

The committee helped organize the Military Salute portion of the regular December 3, 2015, Midlands luncheon meeting, calling attention to women attorneys connected with the military and filling a table with military attorneys. While this was originally scheduled to take place at a meeting nearer Veterans Day, it was rescheduled to a later time as were a number of events due to the severe flooding in Columbia.

The committee planned a one-hour CLE titled “The Basics of VA Benefits” by Retired U.S. Army Major and South Carolina Attorney Kenny Dojaquez for the regular Midlands luncheon meeting that took place on March 5, 2015.

Attachment

March 4, 2016

Chief Justice Costa M. Pleicones
Supreme Court of South Carolina
P.O. Box 11330
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Proposed Rule
Limited Certificate of Admission for Military Spouse Attorneys

Dear Chief Justice Pleicones:

This letter is on behalf of the Military Subcommittee of the South Carolina Women Lawyers Association (SCWLA) in support of the proposed rule regarding Limited Certificate of Admission for Military Spouse Attorneys, but without a supervision requirement.

Our subcommittee was formed to reach out to military attorneys and attorney spouses of military members in South Carolina in an attempt to increase participation by those attorneys in SCWLA events and other law-related activities in South Carolina, as well as to increase knowledge and understanding of military service and its effects on families within our state.

The Military Subcommittee has been made aware of some of the difficulties that attorney spouses of military members face as a result of military service, which may include multiple moves from state to state over a relatively short time. We would like to see South Carolina join other states that have already adopted rules that offer limited admission for these attorneys while their military spouses are residing in a particular state.

We understand that the Military and Veterans' Law Section has supported the proposed rule but has requested that the supervision requirement proposed in a revised version of the proposed rule be removed.

Our subcommittee supports the proposed rule without the added supervision requirement. We believe that supervision is unnecessary considering other protections in the proposal, including a law degree from an approved law school; admission to practice in the highest court of a state (or the District of Columbia or a territory); good standing in each jurisdiction where admitted; no disbarments, suspensions, or pending disciplinary proceedings; attendance at Bridge the Gap and

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Essential Series courses; compliance with rules including South Carolina Rules of Professional Responsibility; compliance with continuing education requirements; and provisions relating to termination of the limited certificate in appropriate circumstances.

Unlike most citizens, military members must move to the location where they are sent in the service of their country. They do not have the same freedom of choice that others have about where to live. Allowing qualified military spouses the opportunity to practice law where the military member is sent, under a set of reasonable rules to protect the public, without adding unnecessary requirements, should strengthen military families and the military itself. For example, Kentucky passed its provisional admission rule effective January 1, 2016, without a supervision requirement, apparently for similar reasons. http://courts.ky.gov/courts/supreme/Rules_Procedures/201520.pdf

Adoption of the proposed rule, but without the supervision requirement, would enhance our state's standing as one that strongly supports and appreciates its military residents and their families. We respectfully request that you adopt this rule.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Goodpasture Smith
Chair
Military Subcommittee
South Carolina Women Lawyers Association

Enclosures

cc: Daniel E. Shearouse, Clerk of Court

Kelly Jolley, President
South Carolina Women Lawyers Association

Military and Veterans' Law Section
South Carolina Bar

Region Reports



**SC WOMEN
LAWYERS ASSOCIATION**

To: SCWLA Board of Directors
From: Karen L. Huelson
For: Board Meeting Scheduled March 17, 2016
Re: Midlands Regional Report

The Midlands' monthly luncheons are held at the Palmetto Club in Columbia. To date, four hours of CLE credit has been offered in 2016, thus satisfying the annual goal of four hours suggested for each region. In January, the Midlands Region held a two-hour ethics CLE with Barbara Seymour; the February luncheon featured a one-hour CLE with Amie Clifford about the 2015 Domestic Violence Reform Act and What All Lawyers Need to Know; and the March luncheon consisted of a one-hour South Carolina Civil Law Case Update with the Clerk of the Court of Appeals. A higher charge for nonmembers has been successfully implemented in recent months and emphasizes the benefits of membership to those attending.

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Regional Representative Report for the Spartanburg Area of the Upstate Region

March 16, 2016

February

- On February 18, 2016, Barbara Seymour graciously came to Spartanburg and presented her 2 hour CLE, 2015 Ethics and Discipline Update. Her program was fantastic and everyone enjoyed it.
 - 16 members attended and at least 3 people joined SCWLA so that they could attend the event and receive CLE credit.
- In addition to the statewide survey, we asked the Spartanburg area members at the February luncheon for some feedback on what events they wanted in Spartanburg. The consensus was that Spartanburg wants CLE credit, Judges, and Clerks of Court. There was some interest in evening events.

March

- Spartanburg is having a luncheon on March 17, 2016. The economic development director for the Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce will be speaking. As of the writing of this report, we have 11 RSVPs.
- At the luncheon, we will remind everyone again about the SCWLA Awards Reception that evening and CLE on Friday.

Upcoming Plans

- On April 21, 2016, Marguerite Willis will be speaking in Spartanburg.
- We are working on getting speakers for luncheons tentatively planned for May 19, 2016, June 16, 2016, July 21, 2016, and August 18, 2016. Our current president, Kelly Jolley will be speaking in Spartanburg on September 15, 2016.

Lindler, Melinda K.

From: Hannah Gallagher <hgallagher@FinkelLaw.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2016 4:30 PM
To: Lindler, Melinda K.
Cc: Mary Platts
Subject: RE: SCWLA Board meeting 3/17/2016

Hi Mikki,

We just had a great CLE lunch last week on 3/9/16 with Columbia attorney, Jack Pringle, as our speaker. It was titled, "Building Resilience: Practical Tools for Keeping Your Head While Navigating a Changing World." Our attendance was 18 people. The presentation was engaging, interesting and very applicable for everyone present. It was a combination of mental/health and technology.

For April, we are hosting an ABA Women Rainmakers event. It is tentatively scheduled for April 6th, but I am still finalizing the details. Alice Paylor is going to facilitate.

For May, I had a call two weeks ago with representatives from PNC bank in Charleston, Wilmington, and Raleigh. They partner with a NC Women Lawyers group and are interested in working on a partnership/sponsorship with our group in the Lowcountry. I think Mary had been talking to them for a few months prior to our call. I think they are interested in hosting/sponsoring a lunch or happy hour event in May, and then possibly another before the year is over.

We have also recently received interest from the Center for Women in Charleston to present their "Status of Women" report to our group. One of my coworkers is on the board for the organization. I attended a lunch and presentation of the report a couple months ago and it was very interesting. It details lots of statistics about women in South Carolina. The topics include education, familial status, employment, domestic relations, women's shelters, access to medical care, and many others. I think our group here would really appreciate it.

Also, Catherine Chase here in Charleston has emailed me recently about hosting a joint event with the Charleston School of Law Women in Law group. I'm hoping we can get something together with them either around the time of graduation, or on the calendar for when school starts back and WIL is looking to recruit new members. I emailed with Kathleen Muthig in Columbia about their joint events with USC WIL last year and she gave me some good ideas.

I hope this helps! Please let me know if you need anything else from me.

Talk to you soon,

Hannah

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