

Minutes of the AMSL Alumni Board Meeting – Approved August 3, 2021

Date: Tuesday, July 6, 2021

Time: 8:00PM EST

Via Zoom

PRESENT

Kevin Normile, Zachary Miller, James Skyles, Dean Czarnetzky, Amy Howarth, Luca Hickman. Victor Bermudez, Benjamin Donovan, Brendan Karl, Charles Mailloux

- 1) Call to Order/Establish Quorum – 8:05PM
- 2) Opening Prayer by Kevin Normile – Lawyer's Prayer
- 3) Approval of Previous Minutes
 - a. May 4, 2021
 - i. Motion to Adopt – Normile
 1. Seconded by Hickman
 - a. Adopted without opposition
 - b. June 1, 2021
 - i. Motion to Adopt – Normile
 1. Seconded by Mailloux
 - b. Adopted without opposition
- 4) Messages
 - a. Dean's Message
 - i. Big events coming up:
 1. Taskforce convened regarding Covid. We are reopening the school for in-person classes in the Fall. There will be no hybrid option. Masks will not be required, but people may ask others to mask in their work area, and people may wear masks.
 2. Applications are up approx 19%, which tracks with the nationwide trend. Also, Catholic students are up with approx 60% having made deposits.
 3. Florida Coastal School of Law is closing. We are interested in facilitating a transfer relationship with the school and their best students, as well as visiting students.
 4. Peter Cancro gave the school an enormous gift in the form of a business law institute. This will be set up and taking students soon.
 - ii. Questions
 1. Bermudez: How can we help with recruiting?

- a. My message to potential students is that they will be prepared to make a positive difference in the world by studying Law at Ave Maria.
 - b. President's Message
 - i. DC event was a success.
- 5) Old Business
 - a. March for Life 2022
 - ii. Hickman: Committee has reached out to Lex Vitae, has not yet received a response.
 - b. Naples Events
 - c. Michigan Chapter
 - i. Donovan: I am speaking to two people in the Grand Rapids area. We are discussing different chapters for different regions of Michigan.
 - d. Election Protocols
 - i. Bermudez: Have we heard any followup on this from the complainant?
 - ii. Howarth: We have not.
 - e. Regional Chapters
 - i. Donovan: We are talking about a Chicago/South Bend Chapter, a Philadelphia Chapter, and a Tampa Chapter. We are also trying to put together a Southern California Chapter. I am exploring the idea of a Salt Lake Chapter.
- 6) New Business
 - a. Hickman: Today is the anniversary of St Thomas More's death. We have a 1st Class Relic of St Thomas More in the library that I like to venerate on this day. It is my hope to do something meaningful with the veneration of this relic on the Saint's upcoming Feast Day. It is also my hope and suggestion that this relic might be placed next to the St Thomas More statue in the library, where it once was.
 - i. Dean Czarnetzky: I will look into balancing security and veneration in relation to this relic. Additionally, there will be a Red Mass in late October.
- 7) Setting Next Meeting
 - a. Tues 8/3/21 @ 8PM
- 8) Closing Prayer – By Dean Czarnetzky, Hail Mary