

# Board of Directors and General Body Meeting April 06, 2023 @ 7:00 PM EST (via Zoom) MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Shawn Kennedy 7:10 PM (EST). The meeting was recorded via Zoom.

**Opening Prayer** – conducted by Charles Wilson.

**Roll Call of Voting Delegates (present)**

Guardian Civic League – Linda Pace and Crystal Williams-Coleman

NYPD Guardians Association – Felicia Richards

MAMLEO – Donald Brown and Wilena Julian

Men and Women For Justice – Sally Thomason and Leonord Randolph

Rhode Island Guardians – Charles Wilson

Individual Member – Cynthia Hadley-Bailey

**Minutes** – The minutes were not available from the Fall 2022 meeting.

**Chairman Report** – Shawn still participates in meetings with We The Action, which is a collections of attorneys who offer pro bono services for police officers who are being target for discrimination, adverse discipline and for speaking out. Charles Wilson handles meetings with RAI. Shawn conducted several meetings with Lt. Thomas Boone (Prince Georges County Police Department) regarding forming a local chapter along with other agencies such as Capital Police. Once formed, they will join NABLEO.

**Vice Chair Report** – Crystal Williams-Coleman discussed her activities.

**Treasurer Report** – Correction for starting date of 9/30/2023, which is in the future.

**Financial Report** – Tiffany Kennedy not present but report submitted. Shawn shared Tiffany’s concerns about how certain items are reported when a check is submitted. Sometimes the memo section is not being utilized to describe specifically what the check is for, especially if more than two items are being paid at the same time.

**Information Officer Report** – Inez Cofield discussed her activities. She needs flier of keynote speaker. Inez expressed several concerns regarding information on the website.

**Delegate Report** – Linda Pace, Cynthia Hadley-Bailey and Felicia Richards discussed their delegate activities.

**Committee Report** – Charles Wilson, Leonord Randolph and Sally Thomason discussed their respective activities.

**New Membership** – Leonord Randolph made a motion to accept the seven candidates presented this evening for individual membership, which was seconded by Cynthia Hadley-Bailey. All in favor.

Individual members are Jim Kelly, David Gibson, Anthony Stewart, William Hickman, Shannelle Wobley, Nancy Jordan, and Francine DuBois-Watson. Leonord will send out acceptance letter. He also asked for the Individual Member representatives, which are Cynthia Hadley-Bailey and Jacqueline Watkins.

**2023 NABLEO Conference** – There were discussion and announcements of deadlines for the upcoming Fall conference which will take place in Norwood, MA. September 30<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the hotel. Jeffrey Lopes is the President of MAMLEO. There will be a community event on Tuesday evening (October 3<sup>rd</sup>).

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm (EST).

Minutes transcribed from Zoom meeting recording.