

MINUTES
CCCBA Board Meeting
July 6, 2022
In person and via Zoom

Board Members Present: Dorian Peters, Qiana Washington, David Erb, Craig Nevin, Andrew Verriere, Cary McReynolds, Mike Pierson, Patanisha Davis Pierson, Dean Christopherson, David Ratner, Jonathan Lee, Marta Vanegas, Terry Leoni, Sutter Selleck, Ericka McKenna, David Pearson

Guests: Jody Iorns, Arlene Mose, Rachel Leonard

Call to Order: Ericka called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

New Business:

1. 2021 Tax return review & approval: Arlene Mose, CCCBA's CPA attended the meeting and discussed the 2021 tax return. A motion was made to approve the 2021 tax return. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
2. Proposed public position statement on Supreme Court decision on Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization: Marta presented a public position proposal from several CCCBA members about the Dobbs decision. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the position statement presented by the drafters. There was discussion and the statement was amended. A motion was made to adopt the amended statement, it was seconded and passed with 13 in favor and 3 opposed. The approved statement is below:

The Contra Costa County Bar Association is deeply dismayed and troubled by the Supreme Court's *Dobbs* decision, which struck down *Roe v. Wade* and 50 years of settled legal precedent that recognized the constitutional right to personal privacy and reproductive freedom. The decision has resulted in the elimination of the fundamental right to control one's own body, the trajectory of one's own reproductive life, and stripped people of economic freedom and substantive equality. The CCCBA is concerned that the *Dobbs* decision lays the foundation to remove other fundamental personal rights.

The CCCBA is committed to finding ways to support organizations that defend and support everybody's rights to autonomy, equality, and full access to safe reproductive care, including abortion. One way the CCCBA will lend this support is by raising awareness of the Legal Alliance of Reproductive Rights ("LARR"), launched by the Bar Association of San Francisco in cooperation with San Francisco City Attorney, David Chiu. The LARR is an alliance of over 30 member firms, many with national footprints working to assist those who are criminally or civilly prosecuted in the post-Roe environment. If any member firms are interested in joining LARR to provide pro-bono services, they should email LARR@sfbbar.org.

Another such measure will be to publish a list of resources for persons in need of transportation assistance or access to free and low-cost abortions in California, such as ACCESS Reproductive Justice (<https://accessrj.org>) and the Women's Reproductive Rights Assistance Project (<https://wrrap.org>).

Additionally, the CCCBA will support such organizations by publishing a list of resources for attorneys and members of the public to connect with organizations that support all individuals' rights to autonomy, equality, and full access to safe

reproductive care, including abortion.

3. 2023 Officers election: David Pearson was appointed as 2023 President-elect, Sutter Selleck was appointed as 2023 Secretary and Michael Pierson was appointed as 2023 Treasurer.
4. Authorized signatories for checking account: A motion was made to remove Theresa Hurley and add Joanne Eaton Iorns as signatories on the checking account. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

5. Finance – Sutter gave the May 2022 finance report. We are behind in new & renewing member fees but are ahead of or under budget in several areas. We ended May over \$32k and 18.7% ahead of our budget projections.
6. Committee Reports – David Erb filled the BOD in about the work of the Nominations committee and let them know that interviews for 2023 BOD Directors are coming up in early August. David also let the BOD know that the Education committee is looking for volunteers to help plan a trip to Washington DC as part of a potential Supreme Court Admissions program. Please let Theresa or David know if you are interested.

Ericka was asked about the ACBA collaboration meeting. She reported that the group met for two hours, there was a lot of great discussion, and the group is working on scheduling another meeting to discuss collaboration ideas further.

Announcements:

7. Executive Director's Report - Theresa reminded the BOD about the many upcoming events. Patanisha let the BOD know that the Women's section is looking for sponsors and donations of auction items for their upcoming scholarship fundraiser on September 9.

Consent Calendar:

8. Approval of June 2022 Board Meeting minutes – A motion was made to approve the June 2022 Board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and passed with 14 in favor and one abstention.

Ericka adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm