

**Mecklenburg County Bar (MCB)
Annual Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 22, 2014 @ 12 pm**

- I. Call to Order and Memorials-** President Tricia Derr welcomed the attendees to the 102nd Annual Meeting of the Mecklenburg County Bar. Ms. Derr thanked all members of the judiciary, distinguished guests, and elected officials and asked them to please stand. Ms. Derr then read the names of those Bar members who have passed away during the year: Francis J. Blanchfield Jr., Mercer J. Blankenship Jr., Julius L. Chambers, Deborah C. Chapman, Todd W. Cline, James E. Johnson Jr., Frank J. Murphy Jr., John G. Newitt Jr., Lewis H. Parham Jr., Robert F. Rush, Marnite Shuford, Henry L. Sloan III, Gibson L. Smith Jr., Daniel L. Taylor, and Thomas D. Windsor. Following the reading, Ms. Derr asked for a moment of silence.
- II. Presidential Remarks-** Ms. Derr expressed her excitement to welcome Carla Archie as the incoming president and her amazement at the good work done by the Bar in 2013-14.
- III. 2012 Annual Meeting Minutes Approval and Bylaws Amendments Approval-** Secretary Heather Culp presented the minutes from the 2013 Annual Meeting. Ms. Culp explained that the draft minutes are posted at MeckBar.org and copies are available at the registration tables. Ms. Culp asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented.
- Following a proper motion and a second, the minutes were unanimously approved.**
- IV. Treasurer's Report-** Tracy Hewett presented the Treasurer's Report. Copies of the year-to-date financials and the draft Fiscal Year 2015 budget are available at the registration tables. The budget has been reviewed by the Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and the MCB Board of Directors. All Bar members are invited to attend the Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at the Bar Center to provide input on the draft budget.
- V. Nominating Committee Report-** Ms. Derr, on behalf of Past-President and Nominating Committee Chair Rob Harrington, thanked the members of the Nominating Committee for their service. Ms. Derr then read the names of the Officers and Board nominees and asked the nominees to remain standing for the full vote:

Officers- One-year term

Cory Hohnbaum, President-Elect
Eric A. Montgomery, Vice President
Heather W. Culp, Secretary
Tracy H. Hewett, Treasurer

Board of Directors- Three-year term

Hon. Selina M. Brooks
Sarah F. Hutchins
Gregory R. Kilpatrick
Timika Shafeek-Horton
E. Taylor Stukes
Lane F. Williamson

Board of Directors- One-year term

Line E. James

Young Lawyers Division Chair- One-year term

Caroline M. Lique

ABA Delegate- Two-year term

Clark C. Walton

Ms. Derr asked for additional nominations from the floor. Receiving none, she then closed the nominations and asked for a motion to approve the nominated officers.

Following a proper motion and second, the officer nominees were unanimously approved.

Ms. Derr then asked for a motion to approve the Board nominees. Following a proper motion and second, the Board nominees were unanimously approved.

Ms. Derr thanked the elected officials for their willingness to serve and for the Nominating Committee's effort.

- VI. Oath of Office-** The Honorable Karen Eady-Williams read the "Oath of Office for the President of the Mecklenburg County Bar" to President-Elect Carla N. Archie. Ms. Archie took the oath and was sworn into office as the 103rd MCB Bar President, effective July 1, 2014.
- VII. Remarks-** Ms. Archie thanked Hon. Karen Eady-Williams and addressed the guests and members of the Bar. She thanked Ms. Derr for her incredible and tireless leadership and expressed gratitude to her family, friends and co-workers who have supported and influenced her legal career.
- VIII. Presentation of President's Plaque-** On behalf of the Mecklenburg County Bar, Ms. Archie presented a plaque to Tricia M. Derr, the outgoing 2013-2014 Bar President. Ms. Archie recognized all past presidents of the MCB and MBF and thanked Ms. Derr for her service to the Bar.
- IX. Door Prize Drawing-** Ms. Derr thanked Ms. Archie for her kind remarks. She offered one additional chance for any attendees to turn in their tickets for the door prize drawing. Ms. Derr thanked all MCB/MBF Presidents and asked them to stand. She also thanked the supporters of the Annual Meeting for their support of the event. Ms. Derr and Ms. Roberson handed out door prizes from Mint Museum Uptown, Dressler's Restaurant, Beverly's Gourmet Foods, Flex + Fit, and Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steak House.
- X. Adjournment-** Ms. Derr thanked MCB Staff for their hard work in 2013-14. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather W. Culp, *Secretary*

Anna Peitzman, *Executive Assistant*