

On 1/13/2022 the Executive Board Meeting was held via Zoom

Call to Order by Carl DiLeo at 10:04 a.m.

Flag Salute: Colleen Lapp

Invocation led by: Chris Assenheimer

Voting Members Present (23).

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

EXECUTIVE BOARD:	Name	Present/Absent	Voting Member
President	Carl DiLeo	Y	Y
1 st Vice President	Effie Pressley	Y	Y
2 nd Vice President	Paul Lesniak	Y	Y
3 rd Vice President	Jeanette Larrison	Y	Y
Treasurer	Maureen Cosgrove	Y	Y
Assistant Treasurer	Bonnie Fleming	Y	Y
Corresponding Secretary	Mary Picariello	Y	Y
Recording Secretary	Liz Villano	Y	Y
Sergeant-at-Arms	Colleen Lapp	Y	Y
Chaplain/Good and Welfare	Chris Assenheimer	Y	Y
Legal Counsel	Keith Bonchi	Y	N
Executive Director/Past President	Vince Belluscio	Y	N
Membership Services Director	Rita Carr	Y	N

Regional Representatives:	Name	Present/Absent	Voting Member
Region #1	Sonia Shulman	N	Y
Region #2	Daryn Cashin	N	Y
Region #3	Lisa Truppa/Danielle (p)	Y	Y
Region #4	Louis Palazo	N	Y
Region #5	Mark Godfrey	Y	Y
Region #6	Renee DeSalvo	Y	Y

County Presidents:	Name	Present/Absent	Voting Member
Atlantic	Jessica Snyder	Y	Y
Bergen	DeMaio, Jodi	Y	Y
Burlington	Julia Edmondson	N	Y
Camden, Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem	Tracy Gregoire	Y	Y
Cape May	Deborah Lindholm	Y	Y
Essex, Hudson, Passaic, Union	Annmarie Corbitt	Y	Y
Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon, Mercer	Abelardo Conesa	Y	Y
Monmouth, Ocean	Hope Ingram-Lewis/Diane Lapp (p)	Y	Y
Morris	Mary Ann Murphy	N	Y
Sussex, Warren	Christine Rolef/Dana Mooney (p)	Y	Y

Past Presidents:	Name	Present/Absent	Voting Member
2018-2020	Linda Canavan	Y	Y
2017-2018	Michele Adams	Y	N
2015-2016	Kammie Verdolina	Y	Y
2013-2014	Jo Anne Lambusta	N	N
2011-2012	Mary Testori	Y	N
2010-2011	Ron Zilinski	N	N
2006-2007	Randy Bahr	Y	N
2005	Adeline Schmidt	Y	N
2001	Gerald Vitarello	Y	N
1998	Josephine Prisco	N	N

Liaisons:	Name	Present/Absent	Voting Member
Division of Local Government Services	Margaret Saharic	Y	N
Associate Business Members Liaison	Darren Lowe	N	N
Associate Business Members President	Joseph Piesecki	N	N
Center for Government Services	Pam Chappelle	Y	N

Carl asked Keith, Vince and Rita to exit the Zoom meeting so they can discuss their contracts. After they were off, Carl stated that Vince is looking to step down within the next year and in consultation with the Vice Presidents asked that **we start the process for a part-time person to learn Vince's position** and help Rita out. Base Salary \$ 10,000.00 a year.

Motion to approve: Tracy

Second: Maureen

Motion Passed

Legislative Affairs- Marc Pfifier. Has been paid for years \$ 3,600.00 and recently has been asked for a monthly summary to be given to the Board. Requesting \$ 4,000.00.

Carl made a motion to approve Marc's Contract - Liz will take roll call

Motion to approve: Mary P

Second: Linda

Motion Passed

Next Contract is Keith's

Carl has been approached by a few people to see if we should go out to bid for a new person who could do it cheaper- his opinion as President that we retain Keith. Last year, his salary was \$ 31,500.00 looking to increase it to \$ 32,500.00. Keith hasn't had an increase as well in the last few years.

Motion to approve: Mary P

Second: Maureen

Motion Passed

Next Contract: Membership Director- Rita

Carl stated that Rita has been doing a good job and believes she has been around 2 or 3yrs. She took over C-Vent and has done a great job with C-Vent for the Conference but also with membership.

Motion to raise her salary by \$2,000.00 which will bring it to \$ 20,000.00. Carl feels this is well deserved.

Motion to approve: Mary P

Second: Danielle

Motion Passed

Next Contract: Executive Director -Vince

Carl stated that Vince did take a pay cut a couple of years back to \$ 16,000.00. Carl did talk to Vince because he was unable to make the Spring Conference and/or the League and they discussed the Deputy Director position. Carl is asking that he be increased from \$16,000.00 to \$ 17,500.00. His base salary would be \$13,500 and if he participates or joins the Spring Conference, he would receive an additional \$2,000.00 and another \$2,000.00 for the League.

Motion to approve: Mary P

Second: Danielle

Motion Passed

Linda asked about a contract for the Auditors. Carl said he would get back to us at the next meeting.

Carl said to give a few minutes for the professional to join us.

Carl just received an email from Colleen that she resigned.

1. Minutes: prepared by Elizabeth Villano from the TCTA Executive Board Meeting and previously e-mailed to voting members for review, were requested to be approved.

Motion to approve: Chris

Second: Tracy

All in favor, none opposed, 4 abstentions

2. Treasurer's Report: report prepared by Jeanette Larrison and previously e-mailed to voting members for review, were requested to be approved.

Motion to approve: Paul

Second: Jeanette

All in favor, none opposed, 1 abstention

Carl stated that as far as the budget report- Lou is working on that

3. Corresponding Secretary: No Report

REPORTS

4. 1st Vice President's Report: Effie Pressley

League Affiliate Liaison- Carl- nothing at this time unless Vince has something different. He spoke with Mike Serra and Lori Buckelew about the disruption – they are aware of it and will work so there is sufficient times in between sessions so this doesn't happen again.

Mary P. asked if Vince heard anything back from C-Vent. Vince said no- they are like phantoms

Finance/Budget – Colleen and Lou- working on it per Carl

Legislative: Chris Assenheimer-Lame duck session is over, there are over 150 bills for him to act before next Tuesday. Once that is passed, he will reach out to Carl so they can summarize the bills

2 bills – S8062 refunds excess taxes that were paid by the tax appeal as credit A2877- risk of Blight

Received last night- there are 312 bills that go over taxes or assessments. S259 converts Senior Freeze credit applied directly to taxes- multiple bills out just on this idea. S51 Increases gross income tax deduction for homestead property taxes paid up to \$ 25,000.00. ACR42 freezes property tax of homeowners 65 years or older. A1646- homestead school property tax reimbursement for school taxes- ages 65 or older. A1540 municipal volunteer act. A1649 increases income level for the homestead reimbursement. A1327 revises established base year after moving for homestead. A1481, S163 excludes veteran disability compensation from income qualification under the homestead reimbursement plan. A1647 increases annual income limit for homestead rebate. A391 clarifies notice required if interest changes. A1650 requires reimbursement for property taxes of exempt veterans - multiple bills on this idea

Chris will get the report to Liz- please see list as more was added.

Resolutions/By-Laws- Sonia absent

Technical Review-Linda Canavan: No report

Spring Conference- Maureen – Conference dates 5/17-5/19/2022. Finalizing Program- Submitting for credits, see how that goes. Vince said they are setting up a link with Hard Rock, they will be able to register and set up the room reservation. Working on issue that asks for municipal PO's to be there by April 13th, and payment must be received prior to the conference or they will cancel the room reservation. Per Mary P, she is working with the Clerk's Associations, they will provide you with an email, so you can get the PO's signed – payment must be received 30 days in advance and they charge your credit account the full amount and when the payment is received, they will credit the card back. If you pay yourself rather than a PO- there is an extra 13% fee (taxes). Vince will write a notice- Mary will send the notice the Clerk's Association used.

5. 2nd Vice President's Report: Paul Lesniak

Atlantic City Conference: Liz – Nothing at this time

ABM Membership-Fran Iliadis -no report

Newsletter/Public Relations-Paula- Next deadline is March 1st -the next issue needs to include information for the Spring Conference and the 2023 Officer Nominations

PERS-Ron Zilinski – absent, no report

Scholarship-Paul Lesniak- Deadline for Application is April 18th, this will be put on the website as well as the Criterion. They received a \$500.00 donation from Mary Woods- the Granddaughter of Peter Clancy

6. 3rd Vice President's Report: Jeanette Larrison

Calendar/Meeting Facilities- Mary Picariello – Next meeting March 24th – evaluate if it is going to be virtual or in person at that time

Good and Welfare-Chris Assenheimer –To Vince and his family- you have the sympathy of the whole association on the passing of your Missus. Notified that Russell Deal had passed away. If anyone has something special, they would like to be mentioned in the invocation, let him know in advance so he can add that in. He picked up the Good and Welfare supplies from Sharon Curran and under Carl's direction sent out the Past President's pin to Linda. Linda was proudly wearing her pin.

Northeast Regional TCTA-Mary Testori- will have the Executive Bd meeting sometime in March. Looking to go to Lake Winnepesaukee in New Hampshire.

GFOA Representative-Gennaro – absent, no report

Finance and Tax CEU's-Vince- Waiting for the League for a printout of the sessions.

Saul Wittes Seminar- Diane- they haven't started on anything yet.

7. County President's Report:

Atlantic County- Jessica Snyder- She missed the December holiday meeting because she had COVID, unsure if they are having a virtual meeting in March

Bergen County- DeMaio, Jody- Probably be meeting virtual in March. No Holiday Party due to low interest and attendance. Asked if we could use the TCTA's zoom. Carl just asked that she contact Vince

Burlington County- Julia Edmondson- Mary P has no report – no contact from the president in a year and a half. Carl is still looking to make contact with the County Presidents to make sure they are coming to the meetings, having their own meetings and getting ready for the audit

Camden/Cumberland/Gloucester/Salem- Tracey Gregoire- Had a meeting on Monday the 10th – the Officer's were sworn in. Will meet with the board members on the 16th and they will be setting up the meetings. First meeting in March which will probably be virtual.

Cape May County-Deborah Lindholm-Just taking over from Paula -she is retiring. First meeting is scheduled for March 17th.

Essex-Hudson-Passaic-Union Counties- Annmarie Corbitt- absent – Paul stated that they haven't heard from them in a while. Keith stated that she was out of the office due to breast cancer and she is now back. Carl reiterated that they will be trying to get in contact with the Presidents

Middlesex/Somerset/Hunterdon/Mercer Counties –Abelardo Conesa- Had their Executive meeting yesterday. They will have virtual meeting for the 1st quarter and decide later about the next quarters.

Monmouth/Ocean Counties- Diane Lapp -they are having a virtual meeting on Tuesday the 18th. They had a fairly successful meeting in December- it was nicely attended. Because of the increase in COVID cases they will doing virtual this first meeting.

Morris County- Mary Ann Murphy absent no report

Sussex-Warren Counties- Dana Mooney had our Holiday party in December in Andover Township at a very nice restaurant –it went well- good attendance. Next meeting is scheduled for February 25th in Warren County- she is not sure how that is going to go-they have never done a virtual meeting. They started doing a scholarship mini conference many years ago which she has been chair of for a few years and they will be doing that on the boarder of Warren and Sussex County in April. She is retiring as of April 1st- she will still continue the conference.

8. President's Report Carl- Auditor's contract- Vince will look into prices of other auditors and bring back to the next meeting. Going forward if you want contracts, he would be happy to forward them- no one reached out to him prior to the meeting for the contracts- he would have gladly sent it out. Reiterated he and the vice presidents will be contacting the County Presidents.

9. Executive Director's Report – Vince- thank you to the associations for their best wishes and condolences on the loss of Marilyn. It happened fast, exactly 16 days from the date of diagnoses to death. Appreciate all those that came to the wake and especially the funeral mass to help celebrate her life with us. Legislature opened 220 sessions-he anticipates that there will be anywhere from between 3000 to 6000 bills introduced with probably 150 of them being passes. Things have been quiet – no labor issues right now. Working with the Hard Rock to set up registration.

10. Legal Counsel's Report Keith- a lot of bills came out last minute- not sure what the Governor is going to sign. Vacant property registration was substantially amended and may make a change to become a lien. The Governor did sign a bill extending Executive Order 190. He will issue a TCTA alert and a more formal guidance later. He will continue to give guidance for everyone. On the amicus brief on bankruptcy that was filed- the opposing attorney passed away in December so they are waiting to see if there is a replacement.

11. Membership Services- Went live January 1st, 1137 emails went out, 41% opened- will be mailing another one out next week. 19 members paid so far.

12. Rutgers-Center for Government Services Report- Pam-Happy New Year, Vince- on behalf of Rutgers, we extend our deepest sympathy on Marilyn passing and our prayers for your health and healing. Rutgers is still working online and all classes are virtual. Student seem to prefer the online classes and there has been no discernable impact on passing the class-that's a positive thing. Last semester they had about 115 students. The schedules are online with Rutgers and our website. There are no more mailings. The biggest problem with the classes is that the students are unhappy receiving an online manual for the classes, prices were reduced because they are no longer printing and shipping. She did meet online with Marge for the Exam- she lets them know what might not be working well as far as understanding the curriculum or misunderstandings in what is being taught in the class and the exam.

13. Division of Local Government Services: Marge- The December exams don't have their grades yet due to COVID breakout at work about 50 took the exam, 22 of them got their provisional licenses and four of them have unrestricted licenses. A little more than half passed – kudos to the instructors. It is intended that the Homesteads go on the May quarter. If you are changing vendors, please let Marge know. Files can't be sent to more than one vendor. S4081- should

