



YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION

KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION

KBA Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. EST via Zoom

I. Call to Order

Mr. Bunnell called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. EST. Roll was taken and a quorum was established.

Executive Committee Members present in person/on Zoom included: Kyle Bunnell; Lindsay Porter; Kelsey Bryant; Calesia Henson; Jonas Bastien; Amanda Johnson; Kristen Cody; Janet Luo; Franklin Milam; Whitney Rowe; Sebastian Torres; Janet Luo; Kara Legg; Chris Barber; Lexy Holland; Jennifer Dominici; Carlin Conway; Alex Stewart; Linda Dixon; and Al'Lisha Hanserd.

Executive Committee members absent were: Elizabeth Combs; Don Combs; Lee Metzger; Christine Stanley; Blake Johnson; Ryan Mosley; Lincoln Caudill; Elivia Rabe; Brittany Riley; Sam Reinhardt; Dayana Perez; Alexis Ecarma; Ashely Sexton;

Mr. Bunnell asked the Executive Committee to please remember the Combs family in their thoughts, as Elizabeth and Don's father, Donald H. Combs, II unexpectedly passed away last week.

II. Officer Reports

1. Chair: Elizabeth A. Combs

Mr. Bunnell stated that the Board of Governor's met last week and Ms. Combs would provide a full report at the October meeting.

2. Chair-Elect: Don Combs

Mr. Bunnell stated that the Board of Governor's had approved the Section carry-over expenses and that the Executive Committee would vote to approve the proposed budget presented by Mr. Combs at the July Business Meeting.

3. Vice-Chair: Kyle Bunnell

Mr. Bunnell distributed the August 2023 Business Meeting Minutes and asked for a Motion to Approve the Minutes as read. A motion was made by Ms. Luo and seconded by Mr. Barber. The Motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

Mr. Bunnell also reported that he and Ms. Combs had met with Courtney Risk from LMICK to discuss potential collaborations with YLD this year, including assistance with and support of CLE programs (Solo/Small Firm Seminar), Legal Food Frenzy campaign, and Law School Outreach efforts; collaboration on social media/marketing efforts; and partnership on other efforts, such as the YLD's Question 31 Research Ad-Hoc Committee and research into attorney "leave of absence" resources and potential rules.

Mr. Bunnell told Ms. Holland that he would connect she and Ms. Risk to discuss the Legal Food Frenzy in more detail. Mr. Bunnell also informed the Committee that Ms. Risk and LMICK would be tabling at UK Law on November 28 and told Ms. Bryant and the Law School Outreach Committee that he would connect them with Ms. Risk to discuss the tabling event, as well as see if other law schools may be interested in hosting a similar event before finals.

III. District Representative Reports

1. First – Mr. Johnson is planning a social event in connection with the 10/26 KLU in Paducah. Mr. Bunnell also reported that the Judge Johnstone Dinner would be held on October 24 in Hopkinsville. The YLD sponsors the event each year and it is provided for as a line-item in the proposed budget.
2. Second – Ms. Porter reported that she is planning a social event in connection with the 11/30 KLU to be held in Bowling Green. She is working with Mr. Milam on finalizing a venue and getting firms/other sponsors to assist in the event.
3. Third – Ms. Bryant reported that a district social event will not be held in conjunction with the London KLU due to other events that were already scheduled. She is working to plan a social event for the spring.
4. Fourth – Ms. Henson reported that she had reached out to Board of Governor Members from the Fourth District to discuss planning events and partnering for the Bar year.
5. Fifth – Mr. Bastien reported that he is planning a district social event in connection with the 10/12 KLU to be held in Lexington. Mr. Bastien has reached out to the KBF to discuss partnering for the event.
6. Sixth – Ms. Johnson reported that the YLD hosted a KLU in Covington on 9/7 that was well-attended. She thanked the NKBA YLS for their assistance in promoting and attending the event.
7. Seventh – Mr. Mosley planned a social event in conjunction to the 9/14 KLU held in Pikeville.

IV. Committee Reports

1. CLE: Ryan D. Mosley and Amanda Johnson
Mr. Mosley and Ms. Johnson reported that they are meeting with LMICK later this month to discuss the Solo/Small Firm Seminar, which will likely be held in the spring at UK Law.

Mr. Bunnell reminded Committee members that the deadline for CLE proposed for the Annual Convention was 9/15 – but stated that if there were any late proposals to please send those to Caroline Carter at the KBA.

2. Communications: Alex Stewart and Blake Johnson
Mr. Stewart and Mr. Johnson reminded all members to send in YLD Member Spotlights and Wellness Wednesday posts. Mr. Bunnell asked Mr. Stewart and Mr. Johnson about coordinating with LMICK about creating and sharing content from LMICK on the YLD's Social Member Pages. Mr. Stewart and

Mr. Johnson agreed this was a good idea. Mr. Bunnell said he would connect them with LMICK.

3. Community Outreach: Elivia Rabe and Kristen Cody
Ms. Cody and Ms. Rabe reported that they had been in contact with Mr. Bastien regarding the disaster relief efforts on behalf of the ABA related to the Hawaii wildfires.
4. Convention: Christine Stanley and Janet Luo
Mrs. Stanley and Ms. Luo reported that a donation was made to Lexington Humane Society from 2023 Annual Convention Puppy Pit (Profit of \$253). They also reported that the first planning meeting for Annual Convention 2024 would be held this afternoon and they would provide a full report at the next meeting.
5. Education Outreach: Jonas Bastien, Franklin Milam, and Al'lisha Hanserd
Mr. Bastien, Mr. Milam, and Ms. Hanserd reported that they would be holding their preliminary meeting to discuss this year's program before the October meeting.
6. Health and Wellness: Jennifer Dominici and Brittany Riley
Ms. Dominici and Ms. Riley reported that they had discussed creating weekly content with stock images and statistics in the event there was no submission of a Wellness Wednesday post for that week. Ms. Hanserd recommend looking into Campbell Pro as a program for generating images for these posts.
7. Inclusion and Diversity: Calesia Henson, Linda Dixon, and Ashley Sexton
Ms. Henson, Ms. Dixon, and Ms. Sexton reported that this year's "Why Choose Law Program" would be held at NKU Chase College of Law. The date will be finalized soon and programing will be completed after the date is finalized.
8. Law Student Outreach: Kelsey Bryant and Lindsay Porter
Ms. Bryant and Ms. Porter reported that the UK Social Event has been planned for October 21. It will be a tailgate on the Hill at Keeneland. The Committee also reported that the overwhelming consensus for the law schools was to keep the Road Less Travelled Events slated for Spring 2024 instead of scheduling them for Fall 2023.

Additionally, Mr. Bunnell mentioned LMICK's tabling event to be held at UK Law before finals week. Mr. Bunnell stated that he would connect Ms. Risk and LMICK with the Committee as well as the law school affiliate representatives to gauge interest for tabling at the other law schools.

9. Legal Food Frenzy: Lexy Holland, Lincoln Caudill, and Sebastian Torres
Ms. Holland, Mr. Caudill, and Mr. Torres reported that they had held their initial planning meeting with Feeding Kentucky. They will be continuing the

March Madness theme this year and hold to add a bracket challenge. The Committee also reported they would like to get the KY Supreme Court more involved and mentioned doing a video spotlight with the KY Supreme Court to be posted before the campaign starts. The Committee is also reaching out to banks, court reports, and other funding sources to sponsor this year's Food Frenzy. The Committee also believes that sending paper information to firms may help increase participation, especially with more rural areas/with small firms.

The Committee also reported that Feeding Kentucky will be working on graphics and video to share local stories and content to highlight the impact of the Food Frenzy.

Goals and dates for this year's campaign will be set in the coming weeks. Mr. Bunnell also mentioned that he would connect the Committee with Ms. Risk and LMICK to discuss ways to explore a deeper partnership for the Food Frenzy. Mr. Bunnell also stated that he would work with Ms. Holland to gather information about the sports packages and contacts at universities who assisted with the sports prizes last year.

10. Membership: Kyle Bunnell and Whitney Rowe

Mr. Bunnell and Ms. Rowe reported they are working with the KBA to send out an email to all eligible KBA members who are not currently members of the YLD and also work on drafting a Bar Anniversary message.

Ms. Rowe also reported that a letter would be sent to all newly admitted attorneys who successfully passed the Kentucky Bar and that Ms. Combs had a letter in draft.

11. New Events: Carlin Conway, Sam Reinhardt, and Chris Barber.

Mr. Conway, Mr. Reinhardt, and Mr. Barber provided their update on the planning for the 2024 Barristers' Ball. The event will be branded as the YLD Gala. Mr. Conway also stated that the proposed venue would be at the event space at Greyline Station in Lexington, Kentucky. The Committee also stated that this year's Gala will have a theme that corresponds to the YLD Chair's theme for this year – "Authentic Inclusion."

The Committee discussed whether the event should continue to be held in May or whether it would be moved to an earlier date. A discussion was had about prospective dates and Saturday, April 13, 2024 was offered as a prospective date.

Mr. Bunnell asked for a motion to approve the date. A motion was made by Ms. Holland and seconded by Mr. Barber. The Motion passed unanimously via voice vote. The Committee will secure the date and work out a contract with the venue.

12. Ad-Hoc Committees

a. Investment Research Committee

Mr. Bunnell reported that the Committee would meet later this year to discuss potential ideas for long-term investments.

b. Question 31 Research Committee

Mr. Bastien reported that the Ad Hoc committee had met to discuss changes to Question 31, but that the Character and Fitness Committee had recently made strides to make changes to the question. Mr. Bastien stated that he had the changed language and shared his screen to discuss those changes with members. Mr. Bastien stated that the amendment appears to address some changes but that the Committee wanted direction on whether to continue to pursue additional changes or whether it agrees with the current amendment.

Mr. Bunnell proposed tabling any action until the October in person meeting. He asked Mr. Bastien to send him the revised language and reach out to figure out if the changes to Q31 had been implemented. Mr. Bunnell will circulate the proposed language to the Executive Committee before the October meeting.

V. Affiliate Representative Reports

1. American Bar Association – Jonas Bastien

Mr. Bastien reported that he will be attending the planning for the ABA Midyear meeting, which will be held in Louisville on January 31-February 5, 2024. Mr. Bunnell encouraged attendance at the meeting since it would be in Louisville this year.

Mr. Bastien also reported that he had worked with the ABA to circulate disaster relief protocols to share regarding the recent Hawaii wildfires.

2. National Bar Association – Linda Dixon. Ms. Dixon stated there was nothing to report.

3. Fayette County Bar Association – Chris Barber. Mr. Barber stated there was nothing to report.

4. Louisville Bar Association – Al'lisha Hanserd

Ms. Hanserd reported that the Committee could provide her any information if they wanted information featured in the LBA newsletter. She also reported that the LBA Bar Center was undergoing an extensive renovation that would provide additional meeting space in Louisville.

5. Northern Kentucky Bar Association – Ashley Sexton. Mr. Torres provided a report to the NKBA. Mr. Torres stated that the NKBA was committed to increase participation in this year's Food Frenzy and the NKBA's YLS was looking for ways to accomplish this goal.

6. Bowling Green Bar Association – Mr. Bunnell stated that this was a new affiliate representative position and that the Leadership Team would work with the Bowling Green Bar to have a representative appointed to fill the position.
7. NKU Chase College of Law – Dayana Perez. No report.
8. UK Rosenberg College of Law – Kara Legg. Ms. Legg stated that she was looking forward to assisting with the LMICK/YLD tabling at UK Law in November and was also working with the Law School Outreach Committee on the October Keeneland Tailgate Social event.
9. UofL Brandeis School of Law – Alexis Ecarma. No report.

VI. Old Business

No old business.

VII. New Business

No new business.

VIII. Adjournment

Before entertaining a motion to adjourn, Mr. Bunnell reminded the Executive Committee that the Fall meeting would be in person on **Saturday, October, 7, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. EST at Dinsmore in Lexington** (100 W. Main Street, Suite 900); Lunch to follow at **Dudley's** (259 W. Short Street) at 1pm ET – approx. 2:30 p.m. EST.

Mr. Bunnell asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Holland made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Bastien. The Motion passed unanimously via voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:16 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Kyle R. Bunnell

Kyle R. Bunnell, Vice-Chair