

**FCCA BUSINESS MEETING**  
**Monday, June 12, 2000**  
**Spokane, Washington**

President Sam Hamrick called the Business Meeting to order at 8:45 AM and declared a quorum present. Mr. Hamrick introduced all FCCA officers and Board representatives.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**FCCA Foundation Report:**

Mr. Bob Christ, President of the FCCA Foundation, reported on this purpose of the FCCA Foundation. The Foundation consists of four retired clerks and one other member. Chris Dreps serves as their Administrative Assistant and secures all vendors and sponsors. He reminded those present to express appreciation to the vendors and sponsors for their support for the conference.

Mr. Christ discussed the FCCA Public Service Award which the Foundation implemented last year at the Miami Conference. This award is presented to a member of FCCA who has provided exceptional service to the public in their position with the court. The Foundation awarded Marlin Miller and Cecelia Burr with Certificates of Appreciation. The Foundation awards this year were presented to Mary Buford, from the Eastern District of Arkansas and to Ralph Vega, from the Eastern District of New York. The recipients each received \$1,500 and a recognition plaque.

**Nominations Committee Report:**

June Phillips, Nomination Committee Chair, reviewed the written report in the conference notebooks. Election of officers will be held on Thursday, June 15, 2000.

President Sam Hamrick requested nominations from the floor for President-Elect. Mr. Joe Haas, Clerk from the District of South Dakota, has been nominated for this position. No nominations from the floor were received. Linda Lee moved to close the nominations for President-Elect. Ian Key seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Candidates for Treasurer are Betty Jackson and Donna Craig. President Sam Hamrick requested nominations from the floor for Treasurer. No nominations from the floor were received. Linda Lee moved to close the nominations for Treasurer. Corrine Szalay seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Candidate for Historian is Corrine Szalay. President Sam Hamrick requested nominations from the floor for Historian. No nominations from the floor were received. Linda Lee moved to close nominations for Historian. Ian Key seconded the motion.

Mr. Joe Haas presented his nomination speech for the President-Elect candidacy. Ms. Corrine Szalay presented her nomination speech for Historian. Ms. Betty Jackson presented her nomination speech for Treasurer. Ms. Sharon Howard, Ms. Jo Soloman, and Ms. Donna Craig presented their nomination speeches for Ms. Craig's candidacy for Treasurer.

Mr. Hamrick expressed his appreciation to all the candidates.

Meeting recessed until Thursday, June 15, 2000.

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2000 - Business Meeting Continued - 8:30 AM**

President Sam Hamrick called the Business meeting to order which is a continuation of the meeting from Monday, June 12, 2000. A quorum was declared. Mr. Hamrick noted on Monday, June 12, there was a pending motion on the floor made by Linda Lee to close nominations for Historian, seconded by Ian Keye. Vote taken on motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Hamrick expressed his appreciation to Team Spokane for the excellent conference.

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

#### **OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

##### **President's Report:**

President Hamrick advised the membership of a letter that was received from the Administrative Office regarding payment of conference education expenses. (Attachment # 1) This ruling provides an opportunity for clerks to give financial support to FCCA conference attendees. Mr. Hamrick reported that FCCA is attracting new members, is fiscally sound, and is led by individuals particularly receptive to new ideas. During the next year, he expects FCCA's leaders to focus on increasing membership, professional development, website utilization, pro-active involvement in planning annual conferences, and extending FCCA's influence internationally.

##### **Secretary's Report:**

Secretary Sheila Beauchene reported on the FCCA website and the posting of meeting minutes within a few weeks of all Board meetings. She has prepared a Minute Book which contains copies of minutes from previous Board and Business meetings. This Minute Book will be presented to each successive secretary so the information can be easily accessed by the Board at all future meetings. Ms. Beauchene reminded the membership to provide her any calendar information and various deadlines so this information can be posted to the website and published in the *Journal*.

##### **Finance Committee/Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Donna Craig advised of the reports she compiled in the conference notebooks. The deficit noted in the reports is due to the first class mailing of the *Journal*. She expressed her appreciation to the membership for their support during her first term as Treasurer and requested support in her election this year.

John Zingo, Finance Committee Chair, reported the FY 2001 budget has been distributed. The Finance Committee is looking at ways to save money and reduce expenses. Kevin Gray (Chief Deputy, District of Delaware) moved to adopt the proposed 2001 budget as submitted by the Finance Committee. (Attachment # 2) Sharon Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

##### **Historian's Report:**

Historian Corrine Szalay advised the membership of the historical table located in the hallway by the conference registration table. Ms. Szalay sent all previous FCCA presidents letters requesting they submit any FCCA memories to her for recording purposes. She has received several letters and would like to see these letters published in the *Journal*.

**Clerks' Council:**

Clerks' Council Chair Jim McCormack submitted a written report to the Board regarding the Council. Mr. Hamrick reported on his behalf. The Clerks Council will be presenting the Angie Award at the Thursday banquet.

**Deputy Clerks' Council:**

Deputy Clerks' Council Chair Nadine Smith reported on the DCC and its accomplishments this past year. The majority of the DCC's time is devoted to the membership drive and assisting in the election process and procedure. At the Board meeting on Sunday, June 11, the Board approved the DCC to adopt the "Susan B. Komen Race for the Cure" as its community service project. This is a breast cancer fundraising project. An article will be written for the *Journal* which will describe the project in more detail.

Ms. Smith submitted information provided to her from Maria Carpenter from the District of Connecticut for a project with the National Coalition against Domestic Violence and Motorola. Used cell phones can be donated, and the Motorola company will reconfigure these phones to dial 911. The cell phones are then distributed to families who are in need of this assistance. An article regarding this service will be published in the *Journal*.

The Blood Drive this year was very successful. Maria Carpenter, on behalf of Blood Drive Chair Meri Lightbody, will present the certificates to all blood donors at the meeting.

Ms. Smith concluded by thanking the membership for their support throughout the year. She noted that as deputy clerks, we want to express our appreciation to the clerks of court for the support of FCCA. Mr. Hamrick recognized Ms. Smith for her excellent leadership as the Deputy Clerks' Council Chair.

**Nominations:**

June Phillips noted the written report in the conference binder regarding this committee. The voting instructions and procedures have been placed on the tables at the meeting. There are two ballots for voting purposes, and each member is allowed to vote once. One ballot is for the amendments to the By-Law and the second for election of the officers. Ms. Phillips expressed her appreciation to the Nominations committee.

Mr. Hamrick noted in the past the election results have been announced by name only, but he has been asked to announce the actual numbers of the ballot count. The numbers will be announced pursuant to "Roberts Rules of Orders."

**Blood For Life:**

Marie Carpenter, on behalf of Chair Meri Lightbody, presented the certificates to all FCCA members who donated blood this past year. This year, 19 courts participated in the Blood Drive, and 1,039 pints of Blood were donated. The five winners of the random drawing for \$50 gift certificates are: Beverly Edwards, Clyde Anderson, Sue Beitia, Jackie Meisenheimer, and Trish Carter. The District of Massachusetts received a framed certificate for display at their court for the largest total number of units of blood donated: 183. A special thanks to all who participated.



**FCCA Foundation:**

Mr. Bob Christ reported on the address to send any tax-deductible donations to for the FCCA Public Service Award. (Attachment #4) Mr. Christ presented the “Green Eye Shade Award” to Clerk Ralph DeLoach.

Mr. Hamrick recognized several longtime FCCA members: Bill and Estelle Barnes from Jackson Hole, Wyoming, met at an FCCA conference in 1975 and were married in 1976. They have attended 25 past FCCA conferences. These FCCA members attended their first FCCA conference in 1975: Bob and Jeanne Christ, Kay Mixon, and Pat Sandlin. Mr. Hamrick expressed his thanks and appreciation for their continued loyalty and support to FCCA.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

David Stechmann reported on the Long Range Planning ideas on behalf of the Deputy Clerks’ Council, of which were discussed at the DCC luncheon. Mr. Hamrick referred Mr. Stechmann’s report to DCC Chair Ms. Smith for further review and action.

**Election Continued:**

Ms. Nadine Smith moved the names only of the election results be announced, and the Nomination Chair be contacted if any FCCA member is interested in the number breakdown for the election. Cameron Burke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Election Results:**

Mr. Hamrick announced the election results. The two amendments to the By-Laws passed. The following officers were elected:

Corrine Szalay	Historian
Betty Jackson	Treasurer
Joe Haas	President-Elect

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila M. Beauchene, FCCA Secretary

July 10, 2000