**HUNTSVILLE-MADISON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

The monthly meeting of the Huntsville-Madison County Bar Association was held on Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at 11:45 a.m. at the Cooper House.  President, Mark Debro; Vice President/President-Elect, Jeremiah Hodges; Treasurer, Bart Siniard; and Secretary, Rebekah Graham, presided.  Julian Butler gave the invocation.

**MINUTES AND TREASURER’S REPORT**

The minutes from the February 6, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

The Treasurer’s report was presented as follows:

**BAR ASSOCIATION**

            Compass General Account:                                        $125,168.76

Compass Money Market: $111,826.35

            Compass Ben Boyanton Scholarship Account:          $ 8,643.67

            Regions Sarah Jaye Daye Scholarship Account:        $ 53,753.95

           Regions Sarah Jaye Daye Scholarship CD:                $ 68,256.96

**LAW FOUNDATION**

            Compass Account:                                                      $ 33,525.81

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

President, Mark Debro, called upon members to introduce guests, and the guests were presented.

**Membership and Professionalism Committee**

Tim McFalls gave the report. There were no proposals for new membership.

**Continuing Legal Education Committee**

Mark Debro gave the report. On March 12, 2019 there will be a Probate Practice CLE sponsored by the Alabama State Bar Solo and Small Firm Section, the Alabama Probate Judges Association, and the Huntsville-Madison County Bar Association. It will begin at 8:30 a.m. and last until 3:30 p.m. Space is limited. Registration is $25. The location has been moved to Campus 805 in the Stone Event Center.

On April 10, 2019 there will be a CLE on ERISA present by Clay Williams at the bar office.

**Young Lawyers Committee**

The report was given by Trey Woodfin. The Young Lawyers are hosting Donuts with the Judges on March 7, 2019 at 8:00 in the jury venire room of the Madison County Courthouse. There will be a Top Golf event at the end of March.

Katie Beasley with the State Bar Young Lawyers Section announced there will be an event at Alabama A&M on April 18, 2019 for high school students in the Huntsville area. Also, the Young Lawyers Section annual Orange Beach CLE program will be held May 17-19, 2019.

**Madison County Volunteer Lawyers Program**

The report was given by Nicole Schroer. The next VA Clinic will be held March 14, 2019. The next Wills for Heroes will be on March 18, 2019 in Madison.

**Announcements**

Taze Shepherd announced that the Alabama State Bar Board of Bar Commissioners will be meeting in Huntsville on April 4th and 5th. There will be a breakfast on April 5, 2019 to discuss court funding.

Taze Shepherd announced the plans for a mentoring program. The goal is to have local county bars in partnership with the state bar.

Mark Debro announced that the Law Day program this year will be on May 2 at the new AC Marriott.

Mark Debro announced that there will be a bicentennial celebration at the Huntsville Museum of Art on June 30 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Mark Debro announced that this is women’s history month and he lifted the name of Judge Jeri Blankenship, the first female judge in Madison County.

**PROGRAM**

Julian Butler, introduced our speaker, Dr. Steven P. Brown. Dr. Brown is a Professor of Political Science at Auburn University, a noted Constitutional Law Scholar, and author of the book *John McKinley and the Antebellum Supreme Court*.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED**.

Rebekah Graham

Secretary