## **ORMA Board Meeting**

Offices of the Ohio Council of Retail Merchants Columbus, Ohio April, 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 9:30 a.m.

President Doug Plummer called a Board of Directors meeting of the Ohio Receivables Management Association on Monday April, 15<sup>th</sup> 2019.

Directors present were:

Brian Beirne Dennis Johnson Eric Snyder

Mike Gardner Bill Mann Doug Plummer Lee Jacobs Tony Martini

Executive Director Lora Miller and Secretary Lee Snyder were also present.

An invocation was given by Eric Snyder.

A motion passed to accept the minutes of the previous meeting.

A treasurer's report was circulated, reviewed and approved by the board of directors.

ACA delegates Bill Mann and Eric Snyder presented the list of candidates to the ACA board of directors and sought input from the board on candidate selection.

Under committee reports, Lora Miller presented a number of agenda options for the upcoming Annual Meeting and Convention to be held at Hilton Polaris, Columbus Ohio. Ideas were solicited for golf venue, entertainment, food selections and educational content.

The board mutually agreed to quickly research and extend any speaker/ program ideas to Lora within a weeks' time.

Legislation: Lora is working on HB131- Debt Adjusting. Lora is anticipating a future meeting with the opposition party to this bill and will report back to the board.

Also discussed was the looming statute of limitation reduction that has caused much concern in our industry. The treasurer was then directed to pay the bill from the Vory's Law firm for preparation of legislative language and analysis.

It was mutually agreed to step away from the "sales tax on postage" issue at the state level. The idea that perhaps a future look at how to tackle this at the federal level may be a better solution.

Nominating Committee Chair Brian Beirne asked the incumbents to consider their willingness to serve another term on the board of directors and to notify him as soon as possible.

Member/Attorney Chris Murphy was appointed to serve the remainder of recently resigned board member Mike Scolieres' term.

Lee Jacobs reported on the state of the ORMAPAC. Lee and Lora agreed to author a funding request in the form of a letter to the membership. The potential harm a statute of limitations bill could create for our industry makes a strong PAC as important as ever. Unfortunately, we live a pay to play legislative world.

Scholarship Chairman Leslie Engle reported she received four applications all of which are currently under review.

Under other business, the idea of changing the membership status of the Kentucky members and a possible association name change was discussed. President Plummer appointed a bylaws committee to review and assess the membership status of the Kentucky members and report back to the board by September. Those committee members are Bill Mann, Mike Gardner, Lee Jacobs, Eric Snyder and Lee Snyder.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.