

Date: 8/31/18 Time: 3-4pm

Business Law Section of the Florida Bar Labor Day Retreat Bonita Springs, FL

IMF Committee/Membership Committee Meeting Minutes

- I. Introductions were made by all scholars, IMF and Membership Committee Members, fellows and general members.
- II. Jim Moon introduced the Fellows retention task force and invited everyone to openly approach him regarding ways we can make the program better.
- III. Mariane Dorris discussed the two main IMF events coming up, the HCBA Diversity Networking Social (2/9/19 at Chester H. Ferguson Law Center in Tampa, FL) and the Central Florida Diversity and Inclusion Picnic (Orlando, FL on 2/23/19; may be moved to March).
- IV. Jim and Mariane are planning a networking event coming up soon to help engage the committee members.
- V. Putting together a CLE on the path to leadership within the BLS to help members, scholars and fellows learn how to move up within leadership and what the benefits are.
- VI. Mentoring Program- events, mentor pairing within the committee and within the section.
- VII. Membership discussed their core values to not just bring in new members, but make sure the members remain in the BLS long term.
- VIII. 4,027 regular membership. 384 new members.
- IX. There were 31 members present at the meeting.
- X. Ambassadors present at this BLS Retreat who are designated to help guide new members, new attendees, scholars, fellows, and anyone else who wants an unofficial mentor to help an attendee make the most of the retreat.
- XI. Mariane presented new BLS logo shirts to members of both committees.