

**Midstate Chamber of Commerce, Inc.**  
**Meeting Minutes of the 123<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting held on Wednesday, April 11, 2019**

After welcoming remarks by President Séan W. Moore, introduction of guests, and an invocation by Rev. Mark Byers of St. Andrew's Church, the 123<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midstate Chamber of Commerce was called to order at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville, CT.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting held April 12, 2018 were approved with a motion made and seconded by voice acclamation from the floor and was passed by unanimous vote of all present.

Chairman Bottone introduced Richard Pendred, Immediate Past Chair and in accordance with Bylaws, is the Chairman of Nominating Committee for the election of Directors and Officers. Mr. Pendred presented the slate of directors as follows:

Matthew Bailey - B. C. Bailey Funeral Home – Class of 2020, Krystle Blake - Rushford - A Hartford HealthCare Partner – Class of 2021, Miguel Castro - Prestige Construction Home Improvement – Class of 2021, John Davis - Razor Rep2, LLC - Class of 2022, Edward Dooling - Masonicare – Class of 2022, Eric Francis - Trifecta Ecosystems, Inc. - Class of 2021, Karen Halloran - Fairfield Inn by Marriott - Class of 2021, Cornelius Ivers - Meriden Housing Authority - Class of 2022, Kerry Johnson – Travel Consultant – Class of 2022, Linda Krampitz - Gaylord Specialty Healthcare - Class of 2021, Ralph Mesite - Sonic of CT - Class of 2020, Jim Mizener - R-J Media Group - Class of 2020, Michael Nowicky - Connex Credit Union - Class of 2022, Christopher Powers - Westfield Property Group - Class of 2021, Elwyn B. Quirk – Law Office of E.B. Quirk – Class of 2022, Frank W. Ridley - Friends of the Meriden Public Library - Class of 2021, James Shimer – MidState Medical Center – Class of 2022, Carlton Smith - Meriden-Wallingford Chrysalis - Class of 2020, David Symonds - PROSHRED Security - Class of 2020, Amisha Tailor - TD Bank - Class of 2022, Daniel Vill - Luchs Consulting Engineers - Class of 2021, Thomas Welsh - Updike, Kelly and Spellacy – Class of 2020, Edward J. Zavaski - Stamford Insurance Group / SIG - Class of 2020.

Richard Pendred entertained a motion that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for the election of the Directors as presented. The motion was made and seconded by voice acclamation from the floor and was passed by unanimous vote of all present.

Mr. Pendred presented the slate of officers as follows: Nathaniel Bottone - Salon Nathaniel - Chairman, Daniel Quesnel – Liberty Bank – Vice Chairman, Ralph Mesite – Sonic of CT –Secretary, Michael J. Nowicky - Connex Credit Union – Treasurer

Rich Pendred entertained a motion that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for the election of the Officers as presented. The motion was made and seconded by voice acclamation from the floor and was passed by unanimous vote of all present.

Rich Pendred introduced Nathaniel Bottone, Chairman of the Board, for incoming Chairman remarks.

Chairman Bottone introduced President Moore to initiate Sanford S. Shorr Education Award Program. President Moore noted that the Sanford S. Shorr Education Award, the Hispanic Outreach Leaders of Action, the Young Business Leaders of CT and the 2019 Bruce H. Kannenberg & Jonal Laboratories award winners were all listed in the program book.

Chairman Bottone, hearing no new business, adjourned the 123<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midstate Chamber of Commerce with motion that was made and seconded by voice acclamation from the floor and was passed by unanimous vote of all present.

Prior to dinner service, two of the awards were presented:

Krystle Blake, presented MidState ARC, Futures, Inc., Assisted Living Technologies and NESIT Makerspace with the Innovation Award for the Technology Training Center of CT.

Lisa Biesak, Making Meriden Business Center presented Girls, Inc. with the William Sears Rice Award.

President Séan W. Moore delivered the State of the Chamber report, followed by dinner service.

Following dinner, the remaining awards were presented: Nathaniel Bottone presented the Chamber's 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Partnership Award to Eileen Bongiovanni, Bongiovanni Insuranc & Financial. Karen Halloran presented the Chamber's 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Partnership Award to Karen Roesler, Meriden Public Library.

The 2019 Excellence in Education Award was presented by Amisha Tailor to GUS Robotic Team 228, Inc. Frank Ridley presented a second 2019 Excellence in Education Award to the Meriden Community Classroom Collaborative Transition Program Team.

Lori Barton, Web Solutions presented the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Small Business Leadership Award to Shiner Signs.

President Moore recognized Jonal Labs with the 2019 Business Leadership Awards in the Large Business Category.

The program concluded at 8:19 p.m.