



The Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division
May 2, 2025 Meeting
Hawks Cay Resort, Duck Key, Florida

Proposed Meeting Minutes

1. Breakfast from 8:00 am – 9:00 am
2. Opening of YLD Meeting and Call to Order at 9:05 am – President Ashlea Edwards
3. Roll Call – Governor Imani Williams
 - a. Excused Absences: Governor Baio, Governor Charles, Governor Moody, Governor Robinson, Governor Smith,
 - b. Unexcused Absences: Governor Comparato, Governor Haddad, Governor Hyde, Governor Leffler, Governor Malebranche, Governor Nicodemi, Governor Saint Jean, Governor Tirse, Governor Wright, Governor Zbrzezni
 - c. A quorum was established
4. Invocation – Governor AJ Davila
5. Pledge of Allegiance – Governor Selina Patel
6. Welcome to the Keys!- Ashley Sybesma
7. Program Administrator's Report – Tom Miller
8. President's Report – President Ashlea Edwards
 - a. BOG Update Re: ABA
 - b. YLD Election Results
 - c. Filling Vacancies from Resignations:
 - i. 4th Circuit Seat - Governor Alina Fernandez
 - Discussion

- Governor Phenelus moved to adopt Alina Fernandez as an Elected 4th Circuit Board of Governor. Governor Menard seconded. All in favor. No Abstentions.
 - ii. 13th Circuit Seat - Christian Katchuk
 - Governor Phenelus moved to adopt Christian Katchuk as an elected 13th Circuit Board of Governor. Governor Aslan seconded. All in favor. No Abstentions.
 - iii. Out of State Seat - Tyler Thull
 - Governor Coleman moved to adopt Tyler Thull as an elected Out of State Board of Governor. Governor Deveaux seconded. All in favor. No Abstentions.
- 9. President-Elect's Report – President-Elect Arti Hirani
 - a. Virtual Orientation – June 10, 2025 from 3-4 pm
 - b. Committee Preferences
 - c. Mentors
 - d. Meeting Dates & Location
 - i Joint – July 16-18, 2025 Four Seasons, West Palm Beach
 - ii November 13-16, 2025, Orlando Grand Lakes
 - iii AOC February 4-7, 2026, Margaritaville
 - iv Annual June 17-20, 2026, Orlando
- 10. Secretary's Report – Governor Imani Williams
 - i. March 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes were circulated to the Board.
 - ii. No suggested revisions.
 - iii. The minutes were approved.
- 11. Committee Reports
 - a. Affiliate Outreach Conference – Governors Reno Pierre and Saray Ravelo
 - i Relied on report.
 - b. Affiliates – Governors Warren Chin and Michael Kranz
 - i Relied on report.
 - c. Awards – Governors Freddelle Menard and Kelly Kibbey Smith
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Menard.
 - Awards
 - i Cynthia Henry Duval Outreach Award – Katherine Bliss Para
 - ii Lynn Futch Most Productive Young Lawyer Award - Nicole Gehringer
 - iii Meenu T. Sasser Outstanding Jurist Award – Judge Gordon Murray
 - iv Michael K. Reese Quality of Life Award – Professor Larry Krieger

- v Outstanding Government Lawyer Award- Annika Ashton
- vi Outstanding Woman Lawyer of Achievement Award – Charise Morgan
- Discussion
- Governor Phenelus moved to adopt the Committee Nominations. Governor Williams seconded. All in favor. No Abstentions.
- d. Basics CLE – Governors Altanese Phenelus and Alexandria Nicodemi
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Phenelus.
- e. Communications – Governors Imani Williams and Haley VanFleteren
 - i Relied on report.
- f. Engle – Governors Caleb Kenyon and Jacob Mayer
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Kenyon and Governor Mayer.
- g. Grants – Governors Tiffany Pereira and Allan Charles
 - i Relied on written report.
- h. Law School Affiliates – Governors Yineth Sanchez Aslan and Selina Patel
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Aslan and Governor Patel.
- i. Lawyer Wellness – Governors Karina Rodrigues and Jessica Kramer
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Rodrigues and Governor Kramer.
- j. Moot Court – Governors Jamy Barreau and Drew Moody.
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Barreau.
- k. Practicing with Professionalism – Governors Brittany Dix and Paige Comparato
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Dix.
- l. Pro Bono & Legal Aid Services & ABA Representative – Governor Alexis Dion Deveau
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Deveau.
- m. Professionalism Showcase - Governors Ashley Wright and Valeen Hyde
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Chin.
 - ❖ CLE #- 9122
- n. Transition to Practice – Governors Mike Levine and Lucie Robinson
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Levine.
- o. Council of Sections Liaisons & Specific Section Liaisons’ Report – Governor Joey Coleman
 - i Verbal report given by Governor Coleman.
- 12. Treasure’s Report and President-Elect Designate’s Report – Governor Reno Pierre

13. Long-range Planning Report – President-Elect Arti Hirani

14. Board Awards:

Scott E. Attwood/Ward P. Griffin Overly Loquacious Award

- Nominations: Governors Freddie Menard, Samendio Mathieu, Yineth Aslan, Alexis Dion Deveaux, Warren Chin and Michael Kranz

Iris Elijah Outstanding New Board Member Award

- Nominations: Governors Jacob Mayer, Lauren Baio, Brittney Polo , Shekka Drayton and Reginald Penn

Kathy Bishop Most Distinguished Board Member Award

- Nominations: Governors Sarah Morris, Cierra Willis, Saray Ravelo and Karina Rodrigues

YLD Most Productive Board Member Award

- Nominations: Governors Freddie Menard, Saray Ravelo, Warren Chin, Tiffany-Ashley Disney, Sarah Morris, Yineth Aslan and Alexis Deveaux

YLD Board Member Teamwork Award

- Nominations: Governors Freddie Menard and Tiffany-Ashley Disney

15. Annual Committee Report– Governors Carleen Leffler and Rachel Ponte

- i Verbal report given by Governor Ponte.

16. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting – Annual Convention Schedule
- b. Roast

17. Good of the Order

18. Next In Person Meeting: Annual Convention at Boca Raton Resort June 25-28, 2025

19. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Imani M. Williams

Board Secretary