



**MINUTES
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
Fallon, NV
September 12, 2018**

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada was convened on September 12, 2018.

The following members were in attendance:

Richard Pocker, President
Paul Matteoni, President-Elect
Eric Dobberstein, Vice President
Gene Leverty, Immediate Past President
Jeff Albregts
Paola Armeni
Julie Cavanaugh Bill via teleconference
Doug Clark
Andrew Craner
Terry Coffing
Jessica Goodey
Cathy Mazzeo
Ann Morgan
Ryan Russell

State Bar staff present:

Kimberly Farmer
Dan Hooge
Gale Skala
Shelley Young

Guests

Alan Freer
Robert Kim
John Leach
Karen Dennison
Jenny Hubach
Lt. Richard Andrews

CALL TO ORDER

President Rick Pocker called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 8:15 am.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Rick Pocker presented highlights of the recent ABA Annual Conference in Chicago.

Mr. Pocker reported on the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedures Committee and the proposed rule changes. Mr. Pocker requested that a taskforce review the proposed changes and comment to the Nevada Rules for Civil Procedure (NRCP) committee. A public hearing has been scheduled for October 19, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved: Minutes for July 9, 2018

Approved Attorney Resignations

Kirk, Marguerite

Ryan, Thomas

Seegmiller, William

Section Appointments

Labor & Employment – approved for two- year ending September 2020

Chair: Matt Cecil

Young Lawyers Section – approved for a one-year term ending July 2019

Chair: Scott Lachman

Appellate Litigation Section – approved for a one-year term ending September 2019

Chair: Paul Ray

Chair-elect: Adam Hosmer-Henner

Secretary: Chelsea Latino

Treasurer: Jordan Smith

Mock Trial Rules

Approved proposed amendments to the Nevada High School Mock Trial Rules

Contracts – Approved:

- Phone Upgrade
- LaJolla Beach and Tennis Club

ACTION ITEMS

ADKT Limited Practice Certification

Ann Morgan presented a synopsis of the proposed ADKT highlighting amendments to SCR 49.1 through 49.12 and SCR 72.1 through 72.5. The amendments would consolidate and make the licensing requirements for obtaining a limited certification consistent. Upon discussing the proposed amendments, it was moved, seconded and carried to submit the ADKT to the Supreme Court as written.

We the People Proposal

Rick Pocker presented a review of the We the People program and its history. Rick Pocker, Paul Matteoni and Kim Farmer met with Marc Picker, who serves as the Chair of the Nevada Center for Civic Education (NVCCE). Paul Matteoni presented highlights of the meeting to the Board. It was moved, seconded and carried to submit

to the NVCCE the Memorandum of Understanding between NVCCE and State Bar of Nevada.

Suite 204 Lease- Letter of Intent

Kim Farmer gave an overview of the Letter of Intent to lease suite 210. It was moved, seconded and carried that the lease should be for no less than 3 years at \$1.15 per sf per month base rent.

CLE BOARD

Jenny Hubach presented an overview of the proposed changes of the business plan for the Board of Continuing Legal Education.

ACTION ITEMS

Financial Report – July 2018

Marc Mersol gave an overview of the financials as of July 31, 2018. It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the July 31, 2018 financial report.

Probate and Trust Section Legislative Proposal

Alan Freer presented the proposed legislative changes of the Probate and Trust Section of the State Bar of Nevada. It was moved, seconded and carried that the section may assert that the positions discussed are endorsed by the section only.

ADMISSIONS REPORT

Bar Exam

Rick Trachok reviewed the challenges concerning the form and structure of the Nevada bar exam. Mr. Trachok explained the components of the exam reviewing the status of changing the exam from a 2 ½ day exam to a 2 day exam. Nevada is one of only four jurisdictions that tests longer than two days. Mr. Trachok expects to discuss this plan with the Court and if supported, the Board of Bar Examiners (BBX) to implement the change possibly in 2019.

Appointments: Board of Bar Examiners, Character & Fitness

It was moved, seconded and carried to appoint Rob Salyer and Nancy Rapoport to the Board of Bar Examiners for a three-year term beginning October 2018.

It was moved, seconded and carried to appoint Scott Hoffman to the Northern Panel and Kevin Kelly, Ann Bersi and James Murphy to the Southern Panel of the Character and Fitness Committee for a three-year term beginning October 2018.

Paul Matteoni abstained from voting.

DISCIPLINE REPORT

The Board welcomed Dan Hooge, Bar Counsel. Shelley Young, legal administrator reported on the Office of Bar Counsel reviewing the latest statistics of the department.

APPOINTMENTS

Temporary Member on Judicial Selection

It was moved, seconded and carried to appoint Stacy Rocheleau as a temporary member to the Commission on Judicial Selection.

Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility

It was moved, seconded and carried to appoint the following attorneys to the Standing Committee on Ethics and

Professional Responsibility for a two-year term beginning September 2018.

Melissa Brown, Alan Freer, Joseph Garin, Paul Hejmanowski, Brett Kandt, and Gregory Shannon

Nevada Lawyer Editorial Board

It was moved, seconded and carried to appoint Patty Walsh and Joseph Riccio to Nevada Lawyer Editorial Board for a three-year term beginning September 2018.

BUSINESS LAW SECTION LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL

Robert Kim presented the proposed legislative changes of the Business Law Section of the State Bar of Nevada.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the section may assert that the positions discussed are endorsed by the section only.

REAL PROPERTY SECTION LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

John Leach and Karen Dennison presented the proposed legislative changes of the Real Property Section of the State Bar of Nevada. It was moved, seconded and carried that the section may assert that the positions discussed are endorsed by the section only.

TASKFORCE REPORTS

UPL Taskforce

Eric Dobberstein presented an overview of the latest meeting of the UPL taskforce. Mr. Dobberstein highlighted the obstacles to any UPL enforcement.

Malpractice Insurance

Gene Leverty reported on the latest discussions of the Malpractice Insurance Taskforce. The taskforce considered several different potential public protection mechanisms. The taskforce recommended taking no action thus their work as a taskforce is completed.

Facilities- Reno Office

Paul Matteoni gave a synopsis on the meeting of the Reno Facilities Taskforce. The purpose of the taskforce was to assess the pros and cons of selling the NNBC to relocate to the Reno downtown area. After discussing, the taskforce did not see a need to relocate the Reno office. The taskforce discussed an option for an office in Carson City for use during legislative sessions and other times throughout the year. The Taskforce will discuss this option further.

Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.

VIA EMAIL VOTE -- OCTOBER 8, 2018

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the recommendations of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure Taskforce and therefore submit the recommendations to the Court.

VIA EMAIL VOTE -- October 18, 2018

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve submission of the written response in ADKT 0499 to the Supreme Court as presented to the Board.