

Minutes – Board of Governors Meeting December 4, 2019 Las Vegas, Nevada

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada was convened on December 4,2019.

## The following members were in attendance:

Paul Matteoni, President
Eric Dobberstein, President-Elect
Ann Morgan, Vice President
Richard Pocker, Immediate Past President
Jeff Albregts
Paola Armeni
Julie Cavanaugh Bill
Doug Clark
Terry Coffing
Andrew Craner
Richard Dreitzer
Jessica Goodey

Gene Leverty

Kari Stephens

Joel Locke

Catherine Mazzeo

## **State Bar staff present:**

Kimberly Farmer Lisa Dreitzer Dan Hooge Manny Botello

## **Guests:**

Stacy Carroll Rew Goodenow Dean Daniel Hamilton Kristine Kuzemka Daniel McArthur Karl Riley

## **DANIEL MCARTHUR & STACY CARROLL**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Paul Matteoni called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 9:00 am.

## PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMAKS

 $Mr.\ Matteoni\ welcomed\ everyone\ and\ thanked\ everyone\ for\ their\ support\ during\ the\ public\ hearing\ for\ ADKT\ 0541.$ 

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approved: Minutes of September 9-10, 2019

<u>Approved</u>: Attorney Resignations Kim Robinson, Scott Jordan **Approved: Section Appointments** 

Intellectual Property Section - one-year term ending November 2020:

Chair: Seaton Curran Vice Chair: Zach Gordan Secretary: Paxton Fleming Treasurer: Dave Kaplan

Probate & Trust Section - one-year term ending November 2021:

Chair: Dana Dwiggins Vice Chair: Julia Gold Secretary: Rob Telles

Treasurer: F. McClure Wallace

## Approved: Contracts

- Red Rock Contract
- UNLV Contract
- Directors and Officers Liability Insurance/ Cyber Insurance

#### **REPORTS**

#### Nevada Lawyers Assistance Program, Kristine Kuzemka

Paul Matteoni introduced Kristine Kuzemka and thanked her for her dedication to the Nevada Lawyers Assistance Program. Ms. Kuzemka informed the Board that the Wellness Summit was a great success and she is working on developing a program with the Judiciary. Ms. Kuzemka highlighted the success of the confidential therapy benefit, which is used frequently, and that many attorneys continue even after the initial 3 visits.

#### UNLV Boyd School of Law, Dean Daniel Hamilton

Dean Hamilton provided statistics on law school enrollment and law school rankings.

#### **AUDIT REPORT, DANIEL MCARTHUR & STACY CARROLL**

Mr. McArthur delivered the 2018 Audit Report and findings to the Board.

## FINANCIAL REPORT/ 2020 OPERATING BUDGET

Marc Mersol presented a summary of the bar's Financial Report for October 31, 2019. It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the October 31, 2019 financial report. Mr. Mersol also presented to the board the proposed 2020 Budget. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the proposed 2020 Budget.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board entered Executive Session at 10:30 am and concluded at 11:20 am.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### Strategic Plan

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the 2020-2022 Strategic Plan.

#### **International Law Section**

Ms. Farmer informed the board of the section's request to dissolve. It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the sunset of the International Law Section and donate the Section's carryover balance of \$1,564 to the Nevada Bar Foundation.

#### Paralegal Division

It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the reduction of division dues to \$30.

## Tax Law Section - Specialization

The Board discussed the Tax Law Section's proposal regarding a tax law specialization. Before taking action the Board seeks

additional information on the proposed tax law specialization including requirements and exam development.

#### **REPORT**

Dan Hooge presented the report and statistics covering matters in the Office of Bar Counsel (OBC).

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

## Nevada Lawyer Editorial Board

Approved: Debra Westbrook

#### **Transitioning into Practice (TIP) Mentors**

Approved new TIP Mentors as with revisions for a two-year term. Approved TIP Mentor reappointments as submitted.

#### **DISCUSSION**

## **Advertising Rules**

The Board discussed the question of "best of advertisement" often used by advertising lawyers. They determined that it may be helpful to provide information to the public regarding the entities awarding "best of" titles.

#### **SECTION LIASON REPORT**

The section liaisons delivered their reports on the Administrate Law, Bankruptcy, Construction Law, Family Law, Gaming Law, Litigation and Real Property sections.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

## January 8, 2020 Email Vote

Via an email vote it was moved, seconded and approved to support ADKT 0551 Amendments to SCR 210(2) regarding minimum continuing legal education requirements.

## January 30, 2020 Email Vote

Via an email vote it was moved, seconded and carried to approve the 2020 Mammoth Catering Contract for the Family Law Conference.

## February 6, 2020 Email Vote

Via an email vote it was moved, seconded and approved to instruct Nevada's ABA delegates to abstain from voting on Resolution 115 when it comes before the ABA House of Delegates.