

MINUTES
HAWAII STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING

1100 Alakea Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Friday, November 19, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Hugh Jones called the meeting to order at 11:38 a.m. with a quorum present. The following persons were present for all or part of the meeting:

Officers Present

Hugh Jones
Louise Ing
Carol Muranaka
Ronette Kawakami
Craig Wagnild

Others Present

Franz Juan
Shannon Wack

HSBA Staff

Lyn Flanigan
Iris Ito
Debra White

Directors Present

Nadine Ando
Steven Chow
Geraldine Hasegawa
Carol Kitaoka
Derek Kobayashi
Christine Kubota
Kenneth Robbins (phone)
Gordon Stewart (phone)
Suzanne Terada
Calvin Young
Lisa Nakahara (YLD)

Board Members Absent

Robert Harris
William Harrison
Gregory Markham
Gerald Matsunaga
Alika Piper

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the October 28th board meeting were approved by consensus.
3. **TREASURER’S REPORT** – The financial statements were distributed at the meeting. Treasurer Craig Wagnild reported that as of October 31, 2010, overall HSBA was ahead of budget.
4. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**-- Executive Director Lyn Flanigan reported that: a) the requested reports for ODC to be generated by the database providers will cost approximately \$2600; b) Fundraiser Dinner - President Jones thanked the planning committee for their hard work. The net proceeds were about \$28,000; c) Self-Help Center Conference - DLSP Committee Chair Shannon Wack reported on the successful conference with representation from all islands. President Jones noted that federal funding is available for projects such as self-help centers; d) Bench-Bar Committee - Ms. Flanigan encouraged neighbor island directors to establish a bench-bar committee on each island; e) Supreme Court has ordered that no fees will be assessed for 2011 for Lawyers’ Fund for Client Protection.
5. **YLD REPORT** - YLD President Lisa Nakahara reported that the YLD Annual Meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2010, at the YWCA with CJ Recktenwald as the guest speaker.
6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - a. **Proposal by Government Lawyers Section (GLS) to Become a Division** - FYI only (see agenda item [6.a.](#))
 - b. **Revised Procedures for Section Integration** - President Jones reported that the Bankruptcy Law Section held a meeting and voted to disaffiliate from the HSBA and form their own bankruptcy law group, but questions remain whether the vote was valid and whether there will still be a bankruptcy section. He noted that there appears to be a core group of attorneys that want to continue on as members of the HSBA Bankruptcy Law Section.
 - c. **Review of Judicial Selection Procedures and Policy** - Director Steven Chow reported that the task force will have something ready at the December board meeting.
 - d. **2011 Budget - Final Review** (see agenda item [6.d.](#)) - Ms. Flanigan highlighted the major points of the proposed 2011 budget including the establishment of a civics education program without additional funding but through existing program budgets, the removal of the waiver of HSBA dues for Active members aged 70 and over, finalization of goal group budgets including \$10,000 for the DLSP committee (up to \$2500 for travel, up to

\$7500 to establish a self-help center), discontinuing the 2010 subsidization of the printing of the *Hawaii Bar Journal* \$1500/month by providing electronic versions to inactive members unless a hard copy is requested.

Action taken: After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the Executive Committee's recommendation to assess HSBA members aged 70 and older who are of Active status the same amount of HSBA dues, currently \$150, that are paid by members who have been practicing fewer than 5 years.

Action taken: After further discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the proposed 2011 budget with modifications noted to include a conservative estimate of fees revenue from over-70 Active members, a modest amount of support for HBJ support but sending a hard copy to only inactive members requesting such, and with \$10,000 for DLSP. Carol Muranaka and Suzanne Terada voted to approve, with reservation over not funding \$18,000 for the subsidizing the HBJ.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Expiration of Terms of HSBA Reps on Access to Justice Commission - FYI only (see agenda item [7.a.](#)).

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lyn Flanigan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lyn Flanigan
HSBA Executive Director

Approved by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronette M. Kawakami". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ronette M. Kawakami
HSBA Secretary