

MINUTES
HAWAII STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING

1100 Alakea Street, Suite 1000
Honolulu, HI 96813

Thursday, November 15, 2012

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

President Carol Muranaka called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. with a quorum present. The following persons were present for all or part of the meeting:

Officers Present

Carol Muranaka
Calvin Young
Jodi Kimura Yi

Directors Present

Nadine Ando
Russ Awakuni
Vladimir Devens
David Farmer
Geraldine Hasegawa
Carol Kitaoka
Laurel Loo
Gregory Markham
Timothy McNulty
Mark Murakami
Alika Piper
John Roth

Board Members Absent

Steven Chow
Rhonda Griswold
Ronette Kawakami
Derek Kobayashi
Suzanne Terada
Craig Wagnild

Others Present

Edward Kemper

HSBA Staff

Patricia Mau-Shimizu
Iris Ito
Debra White
Levi Ho'okano

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Performance Appraisal of Executive Director - Item was discussed in executive session.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2012 board meeting.

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT** - Treasurer Jodi Kimura Yi reported that due to the earliness of this month's meeting, the financials were not ready to be presented, and would be available at next month's meeting.

5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** - Patricia Mau-Shimizu referred the Board to agenda exhibits for the Modification to Tax Form 990 and the final 2013 HSBA Operating Budget.

6. **YLD PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - YLD President John Roth reported that while there were not as many veterans as had been anticipated at Project Salute, volunteer attorneys were able to help those who came with multiple issues. YLD will consider working with another veteran's organization with an established calendar of advertised events for veterans.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **HSBA Board Policy Manual Revisions to Chapter 11 Publications** – A Publications Committee member presented the Committee's proposed revisions to Chapter 11 of the HSBA Board Policy Manual regarding publications. The committee member explained that the revisions being proposed are to reflect current practice. In response to a question regarding the deletion of Section F delineating specific items which should be included in the publication, the committee member commented that the proposed revision will provide more flexibility when there is limited space and other constraints when preparing the *Hawaii Bar Journal*.

There was also a discussion as to whether older inactive members who do not have access to computers could still have the option to receive hard copies of the *Hawaii Bar Journal*. Inactive members in Hawaii may request hard copies via their annual renewal registration form.

Action taken: A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to adopt the Executive Committee's recommendation to approve the Publications Committee proposed revisions to Chapter 11 of the HSBA Board Policy Manual regarding publications.

- b. **Supreme Court Maui Oral Argument on December 6, 2012** - Maui Director Timothy McNulty requested board approval to increase the amount of funding for the Hawaii Supreme Court Oral Argument on Maui from \$4000 to \$5000. It was noted that due to an increase in the number of students participating as well as other schools who would like to participate, transportation costs to bus

the students to Baldwin High School, the location of the Oral Argument, have increased.

Action taken: A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the funding request for an additional \$1000 for the Hawaii Supreme Court Oral Argument project on Maui scheduled for December 6, 2012 at Baldwin High School due to increased transportation and refreshment expenses to accommodate additional student participation.

c. **Proposed Supreme Court Rule Amendment**

Action taken: A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to ratify the action of the Executive Committee which authorized the staff to solicit member comment on the proposed amendment to Supreme Court Rule 2.8 which would give counsel for the Disciplinary Board immunity from suit and liability for any conduct in the course of his/her official duties.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Submitted by:



Patricia Mau-Shimizu
HSBA Executive Director

Approved by:



Calvin Young
HSBA Vice President