

MINUTES
HAWAII STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
(via Zoom)

Thursday, October 27, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Shannon Sheldon called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. with a quorum present.

The following persons were present for all or part of the meeting:

Officers Present

Shannon Sheldon
Rhonda Griswold
Jesse Souki
Lanson Kupau
Alika Piper

Also Present

Mark M. Murakami

HSBA Staff

Patricia Mau-Shimizu
Iris Ito
Sean Perez
Brian Simon

Directors Present

Jocelyn Chong
Steven Chow
Vladimir Devens
William Harrison
Geraldine Hasegawa
Erin Kobayashi
Jacob Lowenthal
Emiko Meyers
Paul Naso
Zale Okazaki
Mark Valencia
Jasmine Wong

Officers/Directors Absent

Jessica Domingo
Kristin Izumi-Nitao
Carol Kitaoka
Mark K. Murakami

- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - A motion was made (W. Harrison), seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2022 board meeting.
- C. TREASURER'S REPORT** - Treasurer Alika Piper reported on the financial reports for month ending September 30, 2022, noting total dues revenue of \$1.783M, an increase of \$54K over last year at this time. She noted total expenses year-to-date of \$1.4M. She also reported on the current mortgage balance at \$487K.

- D. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** - Executive Director Patricia Mau-Shimizu reported that HSBA achieved its Bar Convention goal attendance of 300 registrants.
- E. **YLD PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - YLD President Jasmine Wong reported on the following items:
- YLD Social - November 18th. Open to all HSBA members.
 - 2023 Mock Trial Project - Planning continues.
- F. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Request for Support on U.S. Legislation, Daniel Anderl Judicial Security and Privacy Act of 2021** - The New Jersey State Bar Association asked for HSBA to support this federal legislation by contacting Hawaii's representatives and urging them to co-sponsor the bill that would protect judges and their family members by prohibiting public posting of their personal identifiable information.

Action taken: A motion was made (G. Hasegawa) and seconded to determine that this issue passed the *Keller* analysis, and that HSBA support this legislation. After discussion, the motion carried without opposition.

2. **2023 HSBA Section Budgets**

Action taken: A motion was made (R. Griswold) and seconded to adopt the recommendation of the joint HSBA Executive-Finance Committee to approve the proposed 2023 budgets and dues amounts of the Environment Energy & Resources Section and the Real Property & Financial Services Section. After discussion, the motion carried without opposition.

Action taken: A motion was made (J. Chong) and seconded to approve the proposed 2023 budget and dues amount of the Litigation Section. [The joint HSBA Executive-Finance Committee did not have an opportunity to review/discuss this item.] The motion carried without opposition.

G. **NEW BUSINESS**

3. **Proposed 2023 HSBA Operating Budget** - President Sheldon and Treasurer Piper highlighted significant items of the proposed 2023 operating budget.

Action taken: A motion was made (J. Souki) and seconded to adopt the recommendation of the joint HSBA Executive-Finance Committee to approve proposed 2023 operating budget.

After discussion, a motion was made (G. Hasegawa) to amend the main motion to include a provision to allow neighbor island bars to return to HSBA to request additional funds (up to \$5/head) should it deplete the \$20/head allocation and its reserves. The motion carried without opposition.

The main motion was then carried without opposition.

4. **Request for Support to Oppose U.S. Legislation, ENABLERS Act amendment to the NDAA** - The ABA Governmental Affairs Office has asked bar associations to oppose legislation that “would regulate many lawyers and law firms as financial institutions under the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) and could require them to report a substantial amount of attorney-client privileged and other protected client information to the government.”

Action taken: A motion was made (R. Griswold) and seconded to determine that this issue passed the *Keller* analysis. The motion carried without opposition.

Action taken: A motion was made (J Chong) and seconded to submit letters to our U.S. Representatives urging them to oppose this legislation. The motion carried without opposition.

5. **Rossdale CLE Provider**

Action taken: A motion was made, seconded, and carried to go into executive session.

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

Submitted by:



Patricia Mau-Shimizu
HSBA Executive Director

Approved by:



Lanson K. Kupau
HSBA Secretary