

MINUTES
HAWAII STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
Honolulu, HI 96813

Thursday, December 15, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Shannon Sheldon called the meeting to order at 12:14 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 (via Zoom)
Alika Piper

Also Present

Mark M. Murakami

HSBA Staff

Patricia Mau-Shimizu
Iris Ito
Sean Perez

Directors Present

Jocelyn Chong
Jessica Domingo
Kristin Izumi-Nitao
Carol Kitaoka
Geraldine Hasegawa (Zoom)
Erin Kobayashi (Zoom)
Paul Naso (Zoom)
Mark Valencia (Zoom)
Jasmine Wong

Officers/Directors Absent

Lanson Kupau
Steven Chow
Vladimir Devens
William Harrison
Jacob Lowenthal
Emiko Meyers
Mark K. Murakami
Zale Okazaki

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - A motion was made (R. Griswold), seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the minutes of the October 27 and December 6, 2022 board meetings.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT - Treasurer Alika Piper reported on the financial reports for month ending October 31, 2022, and November 30, 2022, noting total dues revenue higher than this time last year. Total expenses as of November 30 were \$1.6M. She also reported on the current mortgage balance at \$479K.

Action taken: A motion was made (P. Naso) and seconded to make a prepayment on the mortgage from \$25k up to \$50k, depending upon the final 2022 net income. After discussion, the motion carried without opposition.

D. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** - Executive Director Patricia Mau-Shimizu reported on the following items:

- Attorney Renewal for 2023 - 34% have registered to date.
- Service for Judge Darolyn Lendio - January 4, 2023 at the Judiciary
- State of the Judiciary - Scheduled for January 25, 2023.
- Search for Legal Aid Executive Director - Serving on Search Committee
- Search for DVAC Executive Director - Serving on Search Committee

E. **YLD PRESIDENT'S REPORT** - YLD President Jasmine Wong reported that planning continues for the 2023 Mock Trial Project with 18-19 high school teams participating.

F. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Strategic Planning Committee**

Action taken: A motion was made (R. Griswold), seconded, and carried without opposition to approve proposed amendments to the HSBA Board Policy Manual to allow for wider representation and greater flexibility in appointing members to the Strategic Planning Committee.

G. **NEW BUSINESS**

2. **Expiring Terms on Access to Justice Commission**

Action taken: A motion was made (G. Hasegawa), seconded, and carried without opposition to adopt the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to reappoint/newly appoint the following individuals to the Hawaii Access to Justice Commission for a term of 3 years beginning January 1, 2023:

- ◆ Derek Kobayashi
- ◆ Jacky Mena

3. **Expiring Terms on HSBF Board**

Action taken: A motion was made (J. Chong), seconded, and carried without opposition to adopt the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to reappoint/newly appoint the following individuals to the Hawaii State Bar Foundation for a term of 3 years beginning January 1, 2023:

- ◆ Nelisa Asato
- ◆ P. Gregory Frey
- ◆ Daniel Lam
- ◆ Marissa Machida
- ◆ Matthew Winter

Director Carol Kitaoka, who also serves as a member of the HSBF Board, recused herself from voting.

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

Submitted by:



Patricia Mau-Shimizu
HSBA Executive Director

Approved by:



Rhonda L. Griswold
HSBA President-elect