MINUTES HAWAII STATE BAR ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

1100 Alakea Street, Suite 1000 Honolulu, HI 96813

Thursday, November 17, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Louise Ing called the meeting to order at 11:39 p.m. with a quorum present. The following persons were present for all or part of the meeting:

Officers Present
Louise Ing
Carol Muranaka
Craig Wagnild
Ronette Kawakami
Robert Godbey

Others Present
Russ Awakuni
Laurel Loo
Patricia Mau-Shimizu
Mark Murakami

Directors Present
Nadine Ando
Vladimir Devens
Rhonda Griswold
William Harrison
Geraldine Hasegawa
Carol Kitaoka
Derek Kobayashi (phone)
Christine Kubota
Timothy McNulty
Suzanne Terada (phone)
Calvin Young

HSBA Staff Lyn Flanigan Iris Ito Debra White

Board Members Absent
Steven Chow
Robert Harris
Gregory Markham
Gerald Matsunaga

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- 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Minutes of the October 27th board meeting were approved by consensus.
- 3. **TREASURER'S REPORT** Treasurer Robert Godbey reported that HSBA is doing well on revenues. We expect to receive about \$10,000 from newly admitted attorney registration and about \$60,000 from bar convention income. HSBA will likely be under budget on expenses for 2011. See written financials for more detail.
- 4. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** Executive Director Lyn Flanigan reported that there will be at least 4 judicial positions coming up within the next few months. She also noted that the JSC will now release its list of judicial candidates publicly at the same time that the list is given to the appointing authority. Please refer to the Executive Director's written report in the agenda link for other HSBA activities.
- 5. **YLD REPORT** YLD President Levi Ho`okano reported that YLD is in a transition phase with YLD VP/President-elect John Roth. Additionally, YLD is working on a veteran's project for Memorial Day 2012 with Professor James Pietsch of WSRSL and Judge Edward Kubo.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. <u>501(c)(3)</u> (see agenda item 6.a.) President Ing summarized the issue before the Board on the establishment of a 501(c)(3) for the purpose of raising funds for civic education, self help centers, and other public service projects of the HSBA. The Board agreed to vote upon this at the December board meeting to allow time to continue discussions with legal service providers and other entities.
- b. Response to AJS on HSBA Role in Judicial Selection Process Vice President Craig Wagnild presented Director Steve Chow's draft response from HSBA to the AJS-Hawaii Chapter. Board members discussed minor edits to the draft response. It was agreed that a copy of the response would be sent to Chief Justice Recktenwald and would also be posted on the HSBA website.

Action taken: A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the response, subject to further minor edits, to the American Judicature Society-Hawaii Chapter, on the Judicial Selection, Retention, and Accountability Standing Committee's report on "The Role of the Hawaii State Bar Association in the Judicial Selection and Retention Process."

c. <u>Pro Bono - Service Award</u> (see agenda item 6.c.) - HSBA has not presented this award to anyone for several years. Since it is already November, it was suggested that we revive this in 2012. President Ing said that she would ask Sections and other entities if they have ideas for nominees.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **2012 Board Members** (see agenda item 7.a) April 6, 2012 date for Bar Leadership Retreat will change due to Passover.
- b. **HSBA Open House** (see agenda item 7.b.) FYI.
- *8. **INCOMING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** this item was held in executive session. President Ing reported that an employment agreement for Patricia Mau-Shimizu as the new Executive Director is being worked on.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lyn Flanigan

HSBA Executive Director

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Approved by:

Ronette M. Kawakami

HSBA Secretary

^{*} Item added to agenda.