MINUTES HAWAII STATE BAR ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

1100 Alakea Street, Suite 1000 Honolulu, HI 96813

Thursday, June 25, 2015

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Gregory Markham called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. with a quorum present. The following persons were present for all or part of the meeting:

Officers Present
Gregory Markham
Jodi Yi
Nadine Ando
Russ Awakuni

Directors Present
Brian Black
Cecelia Chang
Rebecca Copeland
Rhonda Griswold
Geraldine Hasegawa
Karin Holma
Carol Kitaoka
Derek Kobayashi
Mei-Fei Kuo
Laurel Loo (by phone)
Georgia McMillen

Mark K. Murakami

Alika Piper

Board Members Absent
Steven Chow
Mark M. Murakami
Vladimir Devens
Miriah Holden - YLD President

Others Present
James Kawachika
Calvin Young

HSBA Staff
Patricia Mau-Shimizu
Iris Ito
Debra White
Christina Bae

- B. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2015 Board meeting.
- C. TREASURER'S REPORT In the absence of Treasurer Mark M. Murakami, Director and Finance Committee member Alika Piper reported that HSBA is on track with dues income and that expenses are slightly under budget. She also mentioned that Neighbor Island expenses are over budget and credit card fees are on budget.
- D. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** Patricia Mau-Shimizu reported on the following items:
 - The CLE 101 series is going well with 2 seminars a month being presented.
 - Bar Convention seminars are being scheduled with a number of HSBA Sections participating. A special seminar is being planned on buying/selling a law firm and succession planning.
 - Preparations are underway for the attorney license renewal process.
- E. **YLD PRESIDENT'S REPORT** In the absence of YLD President Miriah Holden, Ms. Mau-Shimizu reported on the following items:
 - The YLD Social on June 12 was a success with over 100 people in attendance.
 - A personal financial planning seminar presented by Wealth Strategy Partners on June 23 was well received. Also coordinating the finance seminar to be presented to Neighbor Islands.
 - Disaster Assistance Recovery Center (DARC) training going forward July 17.
 - Coordinating with law school on program in August about student loans and repayment options, debt forgiveness programs for qualified positions, etc.
 - YLD will be donating a gift certificate basket for the silent auction at the annual dinner.
- F. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** President Markham noted that, with regard to last month's Board discussion on disaster preparedness, he and Ms. Mau-Shimizu had recently talked to Chief Justice Recktenwald about disaster and notification protocols should court operations be temporarily interrupted.

G. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. <u>Annual Process for 2016 Budget</u> - On behalf of Treasurer Murakami, Ms. Piper reviewed the budget process and timeline in month-by-month detail.

Action taken: A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to adopt the recommendation of the Executive Committee to approve the timeline for the 2016 HSBA budget process.

2. <u>Upcoming Vacancy on Board of Certified Shorthand Reporters</u>

Action taken: A motion was made, seconded, and carried without opposition to adopt the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to appoint Judge Elizabeth Strance (ret.) to the Board of Certified Shorthand Reporters for a 3-year term beginning August 1, 2015.

H. INFORMATION

- Election for 2016 HSBA Board President-elect Jodi Kimura Yi announced the slate of candidates for the upcoming election which will be published in the July Hawaii Bar Journal. Candidates have been notified that they may begin campaigning on 06/26/15.
- Leadership Institute There is a good mix of Fellows participating in this year's program. Speakers have been well-received.
- Nominations for HSBA Awards Three to four nominations have been received to date. July 6th deadline may be extended. Director Rhonda Griswold, also Awards Committee Chair, encouraged Board members to submit nominations.
- Annual Dinner on Saturday, August 22nd President Markham urged all Board members to buy tickets or a table for the Dinner. Director Alika Piper asked for silent auction items that Board members could donate for the Dinner and circulated donor forms.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Patricia Mau-Shimizu HSBA Executive Director

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Approved by:

Russ S. Awakuni HSBA Secretary