

AGENDA ITEM

November 10 - Board of Trustees – October 14, 2012 Minutes

THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2012

The Board of Trustees of The State Bar of California convened in open session at 9:00 am in the Portola Hotel & Spa, Portola Room, Two Portola Plaza, Monterey, CA 93940, on Sunday, October 14, 2012 Patrick Kelly presiding.

The following members of the Board of Trustees were present: Alec Y. Chang, Michael Colantuono, Nancy Fineman, Karen M. Goodman, Craig Holden, Dennis Mangers, Pearl Mann, Gwen Moore, Gretchen Nelson, David Pasternak, Luis J. Rodriguez, Heather Rosing, Mark Shem and Christopher Todd and David Torres.

The following members of staff were present: Starr Babcock, Resty Buenavidez, Dina DiLoreto, Joseph Dunn Mary Lavery Flynn, Francisco Gomez, Teri Greenman, Robert A. Hawley, Gayle Murphy, Sonja Oehler, Cathy Torney, Peggy Van Horn, and Colin Wong.

Also present: Jennifer Wada, the Bar's legislative advocate.

The roll-call vote was taken, and upon motion made, seconded and unanimously adopted, it was

RESOLVED, that the roll-call vote will be substituted for the vote unless otherwise noted.

30 Mr. Kelly stated that his principal issues for the coming board year is public trust and court funding and that he would count on the assistance of the Board, Board committees and Task Forces.

Mr. Kelly said that he was happy to sit amongst friends and was grateful to be able to continue to work with Joseph Dunn, Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. Kelly introduced the incoming members of the Board of Trustees – Michael Colantuono, David Pasternak, Christopher Todd and David Torres - and asked that they introduce themselves to the Board.

30 1 - 3 All items under the President's Report are ratified by the President's announcement which is notice to the Board. The following items on the agenda were deemed unanimously ratified.

- 30-1 RESOLVED, that the Board hereby affirms the attached Board Committee Assignments for the 2012-2013 Board year.
- 30-2 RESOLVED, that the Board hereby affirms the attached Board Liaison Assignments for the 2012-2013 Board year.
- 30-3 RESOLVED, that the Board affirms that all regularly scheduled meetings of the Board be held as listed on the attached meeting schedule.
- 41/42 Mr. Dunn, Executive Director advised that all was quiet on the legislative front as the legislature was focused on the November election. Ms. Wada concurred.
- Mr. Kelly called for public comment, inquiring as to whether there were persons in attendance who wished to comment on a particular item on the agenda. No one present requested comment.
- 50 All items on the consent agenda were presented to the Board, and no objection being raised thereto, the following items on the consent agenda were deemed unanimously adopted.
- 50 - 1 RESOLVED, that authority heretofore granted to persons to sign transfer orders and checks upon the various State Bar accounts and to have access to the State Bar safe deposit box is hereby revoked; and it is
- FURTHER RESOLVED, that each bank in which the State Bar maintains an account or safe deposit box shall be furnished a copy of this resolution and be notified that the names of the members of the Board, the Executive Director, Deputy Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer, Director of Finance, and Finance Manager, who are now so authorized to sign withdrawal orders, transfer orders and checks and authorize transfer of funds from one State Bar account to another State Bar account are as follows:
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| Patrick M. Kelly | President and Board Member |
| Joseph Dunn | Executive Director/Secretary |
| Robert A. Hawley | Deputy Executive Director |
| Peggy Van Horn | Chief Financial Officer |
| Christine Wong | Director of Finance/Controller |
| Ray Farrish | Finance Manager |

Signatures required for various transactions are:

For checks drawn on a commercial account:

- (A) Any single check of \$75,000.00 or more requires the manual signatures of any two of the positions listed above.
- (B) Any single check less than \$75,000.00 may be processed through a check signing machine utilizing a signature plate engraved with the name of the Executive Director.

Authority is hereby granted to any two of the above persons to open cash accounts for the State Bar of California at securities brokerage firms and to place orders in such accounts to purchase and sell securities.

Transfer of funds from one State Bar account to another State Bar account, whether requested by telephone, internet, fax, orally or in writing requires the signature of any of the persons listed above.

In addition, for checks drawn on the Los Angeles commercial account:

- (A) Any single check less than \$3,000.00 requires the signature of one of the following:

Steven Mazer	Director of Operations
Gilda Munoz	Director of Human Resources
Vanessa Poe	Operations and Management Deputy Director

- (B) Any single check of \$3,000.00 or over requires the signature of any two of the above listed persons.

50 - 2 RESOLVED, pursuant to that the Government Code, section 1062, that each member of the Board of Trustees is granted permission to leave the State of California at any time during the incumbency of the present Board and is authorized to remain absent from the state for a period longer than 60 days.

50 - 3 RESOLVED, that the Board hereby expresses its appreciation and thanks to the Office of Section Education and Meeting Services for its diligent and devoted work in connection with the 2012 State Bar Annual Meeting in Monterey and its contribution in making this convention a highly successful one.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby expresses its appreciation and thanks to CEB for cosponsoring the State Bar Luncheon on Thursday, October 11, and the State Bar Fun Run/Walk for Justice which supports our Justice Gap program on Saturday, October 13 and its contribution in making the 2012 State Bar Annual Meeting a highly successful convention.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby expresses its appreciation and thanks to the State Bar's Business Law Section for cosponsoring the State Bar Breakfast on Friday, October 12 and its contribution in making the 2012 State Bar Annual Meeting a highly successful convention.

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby expresses its appreciation and thanks to the State Bar Sections and CYLA, CalBar Connect, St. Francis Vineyards, and Thomson Reuters businesses, and Marsh U.S. Consumers for their gracious assistance in connection with the 2012 State Bar Annual Meeting and their contributions in making this convention a highly successful one.

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RESOLVED, that the Board hereby receives with thanks and orders filed the Canvassing Board Certificates dated July 12, 2012, for the 2012 State Bar Board of Trustees election; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following are declared elected as members of the Board of Trustees of The State Bar of California:

Christopher W. Todd	District 4
David A. Torres	District 5

and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President is authorized at the 2012 State Bar Annual Meeting to report the receipt and filing of the certified count and to officially declare the results of the election.

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WHEREAS, Jon B. Streeter, President, and Lowell T. Carruth, George O. Davis, Samson R. Elsbernd, Jeannine English, Clark E. Gehlbach, Cheryl L. Hicks and Wells B. Lyman, members of the Board of Trustees, have served this Board and The State Bar of California with devotion and distinction; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the minutes of this meeting officially record the warm gratitude and respect, both personal and professional, of their fellow Board members;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby expresses to Jon B. Streeter, President, and Lowell T. Carruth, George O. Davis, Samson R. Elsbernd, Jeannine English, Clark E. Gehlbach, Cheryl L. Hicks and Wells B. Lyman, members of the Board of Trustees, its sincere appreciation for their admirable accomplishments and selfless efforts expended on behalf of the State Bar, and also expresses to them the high esteem and personal affection of their fellow members of the Board.

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Upon motion made, seconded and unanimously adopted, it was

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby adopts the following proposed change to the current committee structure for the 2012 – 2013 board year: (1) continue the Task Force on Admissions Regulation Reform; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees directs staff to align the previously adopted committees with the above-named Task Force.

All members present and recorded on the roll-call slip voted yes.

The Board adjourned its meeting at 10:45 am.

The Board may meet again at the call of the President at any time prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board, or, if no such meeting be called, at the State Bar offices, 1149 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015, on Friday, November 16, 2012, at a time to be determined.