President Toy called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m. on Wednesday September 16, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dearborn.

Commissioners present:  
David R. Brake  
Lori A. Buiteweg  
B. D. “Chris” Christenson  
Margaret A. Costello  
Bruce A. Courtade, Secretary  
Richard L. Cunningham  
Brian D. Einhorn, Treasurer  
James N. Erhart  
Elias J. Escobedo, Jr.  
Robert K. Fergan  
Julie I. Fershtman, Vice President  
W. Anthony Jenkins, President -Elect  
Elizabeth M. Johnson  
Katherine Kakish  
David A. Kallman  
Donald E. McGinnis, Jr.  
Hon. William B. Murphy  
Lambro Niforos  
David A. Perkins  
Victoria A. Radke  
Michael J. Riordan  
Donald G. Rockwell  
Thomas C. Rombach  
Kurt E. Schnelz  
Richard J. Siriani  
Angelique Strong Marks  
Julie A. Sullivan  
Laurin’ C Roberts Thomas  
Charles R. Toy, President  
Gregory L. Ulrich

Commissioners absent and excused:  
Commissioner Lawrence Nolan was absent and excused.

State Bar Staff present:  
Janet Welch, Executive Director  
Marge Bossenbery, Executive Coordinator  
Nancy Brown, Director, Member Services and Communications  
Gregory Conyers, Director, Justice Initiatives  
Candace Crowley, Director, External Development  
Dawn Evans, Director, Professional Standards  
Cliff Flood, General Counsel  
Danon Goodrum-Garland, Professional Standards Investigative Counsel  
James Horsch, Director, Finance and Administration  
Nkromah Johnson-Wynn, Professional Standards Service Counsel  
Elizabeth Lyon, Director, Governmental Relations  
Naseem Stecker, Manager, Media and Communications Division  
Anne Vrooman, Director, Research and Development

Guests:  
Stephen J. Gobbo  
Krista Haroutunian  
Mary Hinniker, Institute for Continuing Legal Education  
John Van Bolt, Executive Director, Attorney Discipline Board

Presidents Report  
President Toy welcomed the members of the 2009-10 SBM Board of Commissioners. Commissioners were sworn in and were provided with an oath of office to sign.
Authorize President to Appoint an Executive Committee
A motion was offered and supported to authorize President Toy appoint an Executive Committee. The motion was approved.

2009-10 Commissioner Committees
The Commissioners were provided with a list of the members of each of the Commissioner committees.

Fiscal Matters
A motion was offered and supported to allow all officers of the State Bar of Michigan and all Lansing-based SBM Commissioners authority to provide a second signature for checks that are written for amounts greater than $15,000. The motion was approved.

Board Materials Options
The Board will receive an e-mail to ask for the preference for receiving the Board materials.

Dates for the 2009-10 Board Meeting
The Commissioners were provided with a list of the 2009-10 scheduled Board of Commissioner meetings.

Dates for the 2009-10 Representative Assembly Meeting
The Commissioners were provided with the dates of the 2009-10 Representative Assembly meetings.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 pm