

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

President Rombach called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in the Gerald R. and Betty Ford Presidental ballroom in Grand Rapids, MI.

Commissioners present:

Danielle Mason Anderson

Dennis M. Barnes Danielle M. Brown Robert J. Buchanan

Lori A. Buiteweg, President Elect

Timothy J. Burns Shauna L. Dunnings Robert Gardella Stephen J. Gobbo

Jennifer M. Grieco, Treasurer

Edward L. Haroutunian

James W. Heath Fred K. Herrmann Andrea Irons

E. Christopher Johnson Jr.

Commissioners absent and excused:

Mark W. Jane

State Bar Staff present:

Janet Welch, Executive Director

Marge Bossenbery, Executive Coordinator

Gregory Convers, Director, Diversity

Candace Crowley, Director, External Development

Peter Cunningham, Director, Governmental Relations

Cliff Flood, General Counsel

James Horsch, Director, Finance and Administration

Robert Mathis, Pro Bono Attorney

Anne Vrooman, Director, Research and Development

President's Report

President Rombach welcomed the members of the 2014 – 2015 SBM Board of Commissioners. Commissioners were sworn in and were provided with an oath of office to sign.

State Bar of Michigan Standing and Special Committee Resolution

A motion was offered and seconded to approve the Standing and Special Committee resolution. The motion passed.

Authorize President to Appoint an Executive Committee

A motion was offered and supported to authorize President Rombach to appoint an Executive Committee. The motion was approved.

2014 - 2015 Commissioner Committees

The Commissioners were provided with a list of the members of each of the Commissioner committees.

C. Thomas Ludden

Thomas McCarthy Jr.

Maureen M. McGinnis

Lawrence P. Nolan, Vice President

Jules B. Olsman

Colleen A. Pero

Daniel D. Quick

Victoria A. Radke

Hon. Michael J. Riordan

Donald G. Rockwell, Secretary

Thomas C. Rombach, President

Hope V. Shovein

Richard J. Siriani

Gregory L. Ulrich

Vanessa Peterson Williams

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Fiscal Matters

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

Board Member Forms

The Board members were asked to complete the form for the Board pictorial directory and return it to Ms. Bossenbery.

Dates for the 2014-15 Board Meeting

The Commissioners were provided with a list of the 2014-2015 scheduled Board of Commissioner meetings.

Dates for the 2014-15 Representative Assembly Meeting

The Commissioners were provided with the dates of the 2014-2015 Representative Assembly meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.