

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**

President Warnez called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, September 17, 2021, via videoconference.

Commissioners present:

Danielle Mason Anderson
David C. Anderson
Yolanda Bennett
Kristina A. Bilowus
Aaron V. Burrell
Erika L. Butler
Hon. B. Chris Christenson
Thomas P. Clement
Sherrice Detzler
Robert A. Easterly
Hon. Kameshia D. Gant
Lisa J. Hamameh, Treasurer
James W. Heath, President-Elect
Thomas H. Howlett
Sarah E. Kuchon
Suzanne C. Larsen

James W. Low
Gerrow D. “Gerry” Mason
E. Thomas McCarthy Jr.
Joseph P. McGill, Secretary
Valerie R. Newman
Takura N. Nyamfukudza
Nicholas M. Ohanesian
Samantha J. Orvis
Hon. David A. Perkins
Colemon Potts
Daniel D. Quick, Vice President
Hon. Kristen D. Simmons
Thomas G. Sinas
Dana M. Warnez, President
Hon. Erane C. Washington

Commissioners absent:

Mark A. Wisniewski

State Bar staff present:

Janet Welch, Executive Director
Margaret Bossenbery, Executive Coordinator
Nancy Brown, Assistant Executive Director
Gregory Conyers, Program Director, Diversity Development Program
Peter Cunningham, Assistant Executive Director and Director, Governmental Relations
Darin Day, Program Director, Outreach
Michelle Erskine, Research Assistant & Event Specialist
Katherine Gardner, UPL Counsel
Tatiana Goodkin, Chief Financial Officer
Kathryn Hennessey, General Counsel and Assistant Executive Director
Robert Mathis, Pro Bono Services & Justice Initiatives Counsel
Molly Ranns, Director, Lawyers & Judges Assistance Program
Carrie Sharlow, Administrative Assistant
Janna Sheppard, Administrative Assistant
Kari Thrush, Program Director, Lawyer Services
Anne Vrooman, Program Director, Research & Development

President's Report

Ms. Warnez welcomed the new Board members.

Ms. Warnez asked the new commissioners to introduce themselves.

Ms. Warnez welcomed Chief Justice Bridget M. McCormack to the meeting.

Chief Justice McCormack swore in Ms. Warnez as president of the State Bar of Michigan.

Chief Justice McCormack swore in Mr. Heath, Mr. Quick, Mr. McGill, and Ms. Hamameh as officers of the Board of Commissioners.

Chief Justice McCormack swore in the remaining members of the Board of Commissioners.

Authorize President to Appoint an Executive Committee

A motion was offered to approve the appointment of the Executive Committee. The motion was seconded and approved.

2021-2022 Commissioner Committee Appointments

Ms. Warnez stated that the committee appointments were sent to the commissioners electronically.

Fiscal Matters

The Board received information about Nexonia, the SBM expense reimbursement system.

Board Member Information Forms

The Board received the forms to complete for the Pictorial Directory and were asked to return them to Ms. Bossenbery once they were completed.

2021-2022 Board of Commissioners and Representative Assembly Meeting Dates

The Board received the dates for the 2021-2022 Board of Commissioners and Representative Assembly meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.