



State Bar Association
of North Dakota

SBAND Board of Governors

SBAND
Minutes

November 14, 2009

8:30 AM

Members Present: Jane Dynes, President; David Maring; Michael Williams; Sandi Tabor; James Hill; Dean Kathryn Rand; Kristi Pettit; Swain Benson; Petra Mandigo-Hulm; Robert Keogh; Gail Hagerty
Members Absent: Nancy Morris; Dennis Johnson; Fallon Kelly;
Staff Members Present: William A. Neumann; Jeanne Schlittenhard

President Dynes called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Meeting Minutes, September 18 and 19, 2009 [Attachments #1]

Action: The minutes were received and approved. [S. Tabor / D. Maring]

Financial Statements and Vouchers –September 2009 [Attachment # 2]

Executive Director Neumann reviewed the September 2009 Financial Reports.

Action #1: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to authorize President Dynes to appoint a committee of to include the President, Immediate-Past President, President-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, and an at large member from the Board of Governors to review the issues such as the dues structures, a contingency fund, additional member benefits, and to review the Reserve Policy. [S. Tabor / R. Keogh]

Action#2: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to receive the financials. [S. Tabor / D. Maring]

Board Appointments [Attachments #3]

Disciplinary Board [2 openings]

- NW Judicial District – Kent Reierson [reappointment]
- NE Judicial District – list of three names to Supreme Court

Recommendation / Conclusion: The Board recognizes Kent Reierson has served with great honor and distinction and is eligible for reappointment. The slate of three names for the Northeast Judicial District has not been completed; this will be placed on the Agenda for the January 23, 2010 meeting of the Board of Governors.

Action #1: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the reappointment of Kent Reierson to the Disciplinary Board. [S. Tabor / R. Keogh]

2010 Budget [Attachments #4]

President Dynes reported the Budget Committee met with Executive Director Neumann regarding the proposed 2010 budget.

Action #1: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to adjust J. Schlittenhard's salary as recommended by the Budget Committee. [S. Tabor / D. Maring]

Action #2: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to make the recommended increases for D. Bowen and J. Gilbertson. [S. Tabor / D. Maring]

Action #3: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to grant increases to the remaining staff as recommended by the Budget Committee. [D. Maring / R. Keogh]

Action #4: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the 2010 budget as submitted [S. Tabor / J. Hill]

Report: Dinner with Supreme Court

President Dynes, D. Maring, S. Tabor, and Executive Director Neumann met with the Justices of the Supreme Court in November for the annual Bench and Bar Leadership Dinner. It was the consensus of the group that is a very important event for the Bench and Bar. At the dinner meeting, Chief Justice Gerald VandeWalle reported on some of the programs he is involved in on a national level.

Action: No action required.

Professional Liability / Discovery Rule

President Dynes reviewed this issue was discussed at the September Board of Governors meeting(s).

Recommendation / Conclusion: It was the consensus of the members of the Board of Governors this is an important issue for the future. S. Tabor suggested this be an item to be discussed in SBAND's long range planning and should be placed on the Agenda for the Board of Governors June 2012 meeting.

Action: No action taken.

"Stuff from Bill"

Software / Website Update [Attachment #5]

Executive Director Neumann reported a recommendation was forwarded to the SBAND Technical Advisory Committee. S. Tabor, a member of the Advisory Committee, stated the Advisory Committee was in support of the recommendation.

Action: It was duly moved, seconded, and carried to approve the recommendation of Intus Technologies for the SBAND Website update and Data Base Management replacement project. [S. Tabor / P. Mandigo-Hulm]

Law Related Education Update

Executive Director Neumann reported on SBAND's Law Related Education Program - *We The People*. The 2009 State High School Finals will be held in Bismarck on January 20, 2010.

North Dakota Bar Foundation Board of Directors

Sandi Tabor currently holds two seats on the North Dakota Bar Foundation Board of Directors. According to the Rules of the North Dakota Bar Foundation, the Board of Directors replaces any open positions.

Other Business

Western States Bar

North Dakota is in the rotation for the office of President-Elect for the Western States Bar Association. Board members were asked to consider volunteering to serve in this position and notify Executive Director Neumann if this would be of interest.

Board of Governors District Representative Northeast Judicial District

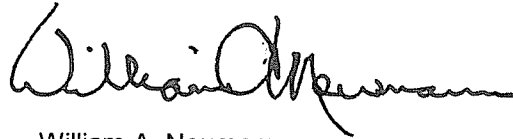
Swain Benson reported Barb Whalen has been elected the Northeast Judicial District's representative to the Board of Governors, effective June 2010.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The next meeting of the Board of Governors is scheduled for Saturday, January 23, 2010, at the SBAND office.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanne Schlittenhard
Associate Director



William A. Neumann
Executive Director