

**UTAH STATE BAR
BOARD OF BAR COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES**

MARCH 10, 2016

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In Attendance: President Angelina Tsu, President-elect Rob Rice; Commissioners: H. Dickson Burton, Steven Burt, Kate Conyers, Kenyon Dove, Heather Farnsworth, Susanne Gustin, Liisa Hancock, John Lund, Michelle Mumford, Herm Olsen and Katie Woods.

Ex-Officio Members: Dean Robert Adler, Nate Alder, Heather Allen, James D. Gilson, Margaret Plane, Grace Pusavat, and Supreme Court Liaison Tim Shea.

Not in Attendance: Mary Kay Griffin, Ex-Officio Members: Michelle Kennedy, Dean James Rasband and Chris Wharton.

Also in Attendance: Executive Director John C. Baldwin and General Counsel Elizabeth A. Wright. Chris Wharton appeared by phone for agenda item 3.5.

Minutes: 12:20 p.m. start

1. President's Report:

1.1 Meeting with Governor Herbert. Angelina Tsu reported that she, Rob Rice, John Baldwin and Doug Foxley had a successful meeting with Governor Herbert.

1.2 Utah State Bar Day at Legislature. Angelina Tsu reported that the event was well attended.

2. Action Items

2.1 Changes to Bar Policies.

Michelle Mumford moved to allow lawyers to opt out of providing a public address. Kenyon Dove seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

Michelle Mumford moved to officially adopt current Bar policy of charging a single \$200 late fee to a lawyer who is suspended for both failure to pay licensing fees and for failure to comply with MCLE requirements. Kenyon Dove seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

Rob Rice moved to have Bar staff draft an administrative reinstatement policy for lawyers who fail to pay any fees for 3 years or more. Dickson Burton seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

Rob Rice moved to officially adopt current Bar policy of not allowing lawyers to opt out of receiving emails from the Bar. Michelle Mumford seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

Dickson Burton moved to adopt a policy requiring attendees at all CLE events to pre-pay or pay at the door and to add all current past due fees on license renewal. Kenyon Dove seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

2.2 Lawyer Referral Directory. John Lund gave a preview of the new lawyer directory/referral website and reported that the project was on budget. For the next Commission Meeting John Lund will prepare a list of directory issues for vote by the Commission. Issues for vote include adding search features and language options.

2.3 Petition to Create Indian Law Section. Katie Woods voted to approve the petition for creation of an Indian Law Section. Kenyon Dove seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

3. Discussion Items

3.1 Operations Review. The Commission is interested in hiring WIPFLI to conduct an assessment of the Bar's annual budgeting expenditures. WIPFLI Revised Proposal for Consulting Services dated February 25, 2016 was distributed to Commissioners. The decision to hire WIPFLI will be an action item for the April 2016 Commission meeting.

3.2 Bar Journal. Skip

3.3 Blomquist Hale. The Commission discussed whether or not another provider could offer better services at a lower cost. Bar staff will provide a comparison of cost and usage over the past five years and compose a list of alternative providers.

3.4 ABA Young Lawyers Program. Angelina Tsu reported that the ABA YLD has an electronic job board that may be of interest to our young lawyers. Nate Alder and Kenyon Dove will research and report on whether the Bar should utilize the ABA YLD's electronic job board.

3.5 Young Lawyer Delegate to the ABA. The ABA has changed its rules to allow each state to have an additional ABA Delegate from the Young Lawyer's Division. The purpose of the rule change is to encourage more young lawyers to become involved in the ABA. YLD President Chris Wharton appeared by phone to support the approval of a new ABA YLD Delegate.

Kate Conyers moved to approve a YLD ABA Delegate who will be an ex-officio member of the Commission and must be a member of the YLD for his or her entire two year term. Heather Farnsworth seconded the motion which passed unopposed. Statements of interest are due by April 8, 2016.

4. Information Items.

- 4.1 Paralegal Division 20th Anniversary Celebration.** Paralegal Division President Heather Allen reported on the celebrations planned for the 20th Anniversary of the Paralegal Division that will take place on April 22, 2016. **Dickson Burton moved to approve a \$1000 sponsorship of the event. Kate Conyers seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**
- 4.2 CLE Scholarship Gala and Lifetime Service Awards.** The CLE Scholarship fundraising event will be in conjunction with the gala celebrating the 85th anniversary of the Bar. The Lifetime Service Awards will be given at the gala which will be held on June 30, 2016.
- 4.3 Paralegal Practitioner Steering Committee.** John Baldwin reported that sub-committees have been established to implement the paralegal practitioner license
- 4.4 Breakfast of Champions.** Michelle Mumford reported that the event was a well attended success and that it stayed within its budget.
- 4.5 Leadership Academy.** Liisa Hancock reported the Leadership Academy events have been successful and that the Academy's Board and participants are pleased with the success of the program.
- 4.6 OPC Consultation.** Tim Shea reported that Chief Justice Durrant has written a letter to the ABA requesting the review.
- 4.7 Summer Convention Planning.** Kate Conyers reported that planning for the 2016 Summer Convention is on track and that two of the three keynote speakers have been selected.
- 4.8 Spring Convention Schedule.** Rob Rice reviewed the CLE schedule and activities.

HANDOUTS DISTRIBUTED AT MEETING:

1. WIPFLI Revised Proposal for Consulting Services dated February 25, 2016.

ADJOURNED: 4:15 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approve Minutes of January 22, 2016 Commission Meeting.
2. Re-appointment of Chrystal Mancuso-Smith to Detection Deception Examiners Board.
3. Appoint Brooke Robinson to Pro Bono Commission.