

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

MAY 20, 2016

LAW AND JUSTICE CENTER

In Attendance: President Angelina Tsu, Commissioners: Steven Burt, Kate Conyers, Kenyon Dove, Heather Farnsworth, Mary Kay Griffin, Susanne Gustin, Liisa Hancock, John Lund, Michelle Mumford, Herm Olsen and Katie Woods.

Ex-Officio Members: Dean Robert Adler, Heather Allen, James Gilson, Jaelynn Jenkins, Susan Motschieder, Margaret Plane, Dean Gordon J. Smith, Chris Wharton and Supreme Court Liaison Tim Shea.

Not in Attendance: President-elect Rob Rice and H. Dickson Burton, Ex-Officio Members: Nate Alder and Melinda Bowen.

Also in Attendance: Executive Director John C. Baldwin, General Counsel Elizabeth A. Wright and Assistant Executive Director Richard Dibblee.

Minutes: 9:10 a.m. start

1. President's Report:Angelina Tsu

1.1 Welcome.

1.2 Report on Northwest States Conference. Angelina reported that it was very beneficial to meet with other bars the same size as ours.

1.3 85th Gala Planning – June 30th. Angelina reported that the invitations have gone out and that half of the desired number of sponsorships have been obtained.

1.4 Summer Convention Planning. Angelina reported that the entire reduced-price room block has been sold. There are still rooms available at the full rate.

1.5 Bar Appointment Policies Committee. The Leadership Academy is developing a proposed policy.

1.6 Report on Meetings With Congressional Delegations. Angelina reported that trip to Washington D.C. to meet with Utah's Congressional delegation was productive.

1.7 Meetings on Diversity. The Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission (JPEC) and the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice (CCJJ) are going to

conduct diversity training for judges and have asked the Bar to contribute to the cost of the training. **Heather Allen moved that the Bar contribute \$1000 to the JPEC and CCJJ diversity training. Michelle Mumford seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**

2. Action Items

2.1 Select Lawyer of the Year Recipient. Voted to award **Annette Jarvis** and **Bruce Maak** Lawyer of the Year

2.2 Select Judge of the Year Award Recipient. Voted to award **C. Dane Nolan** Judge of the Year.

2.3 Select Committee of the Year Award Recipient. Voted to award the **Utah Bar Leadership Academy** Committee of the Year.

2.4 Select Section of the Year Award Recipient. Voted to award the **Bankruptcy Section** Section of the Year Award

2.5 Approve WIPFLi Contract. **Herm Olsen moved to approve the contract for WIPFLI to conduct a Bar budget and expense review. Michelle seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**

2.6 Select 2nd District Nominating Commission Nominees. Selected **Kathi Sjoberg, Sharla Dunroe, Jon Memmott, Rich Gallegos, Benjamin Larsen** and **Stewart Young** as nominees for the Second Judicial Court Nominating Commission.

3. Discussion Items

3.1 Blomquist Hale Services. The Commission discussed alternative service providers and compared their costs and services to those provided by Blomquist Hale. It was noted that our usage of counseling services was very low compared to other bars. The Commission will arrange for the Blomquist Hale representative to attend the July Commission meeting and answer questions about the Commission's concerns with the service.

3.2 Legal Services Link Follow Up. Katie Woods and Kenyon Dove reported on the concern that the Legal Services Link would overlap with the lawyer directory the Futures Commission is developing. Their Committee will continue to investigate whether Legal Services Link should be a second phase after the directory is up and running.

3.3 Executive Director Contract Term. Elizabeth Wright will prepare language for a rule change that will make Rule 14-205's language regarding the Executive Director's term consistent with the Bar policy and the way the Commission has been contracting

with the Executive Director. The proposed language will be presented at July Commission meeting.

4. Information Items

4.1 Admissions Rule 14-721. Herm Olsen moved to approve the proposed language to allow admission of undocumented immigrants. Kenyon Dove seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

4.2 2016 -2017 Proposed Budget. The Bar's Financial Administrator Kellie Bartz was available to answer any questions about the proposed budget. Angelina explained that the budget was distributed now so that Commissioners will have time to review it before voting on the budget at the July 6, 2016 Commission Meeting. Jaelynn Jenkins asked the Commission to add \$10,492.10 to update the very old and worn IT equipment that YLD uses for its Wills for Heroes and Serving Our Seniors programs. Kellie Bartz will add the amount to the proposed budget that will be presented in July for Commission approval.

5. Executive Session.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Consent Agenda

- 1. Approve Minutes from the April 15, 2016 Commission Meeting.**
- 2. Approve UPL Committee Request for Formal Action.**

Handouts

- 1. List of Second Judicial Court Nominating Commission Nominees.**
- 2. Blomquist Hale Handout.**
- 3. Award nominee recommendations.**
- 4. YLD Budget Request.**