

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

JULY 26, 2017

SUN VALLEY, IDAHO

- In Attendance:** President Rob Rice, President-elect John Lund, Commissioners: Grace Acosta; John Bradley, Steven Burt, H. Dickson Burton, Kate Conyers, Heather Farnsworth, Mary Kay Griffin, Liisa Hancock, Michelle Mumford, Herm Olsen, Cara Tangaro, Heather Thuet, and Katie Woods.
- Ex-Officio Members:** Dean Robert Adler, Nate Alder, Julie Emery, Amy Fowler, Jaelynn Jenkins, Audrey Phillips (for Women Lawyers of Utah), Margaret Plane, Dean Gordon Smith, Jamie Sorenson (for Utah Minority Bar Association), and Angelina Tsu.
- Not in Attendance:** Ex-Officio Member: Chris Wharton
- Also in Attendance:** Executive Director John C. Baldwin, General Counsel Elizabeth A. Wright, and Supreme Court Liaison James Ishida.

Minutes: 1:15 p.m. start

1. President's Report: Rob Rice

- 1.1 Welcome and review Summer Convention schedule.**
- 1.2 Review 2017-2018 Commission Meeting schedule.**
- 1.3 Retreat Information.** John Lund reported that the annual Commission Retreat will take place on Friday, August 25th at the Canyons in Park City. The Commission Meeting will be on Saturday the 26th.
- 1.4 Report on Jackrabbit Bar Conference.** Rob Rice reported on the Jackrabbit Bar conference that took place in Santa Fe, New Mexico. New Mexico has a promising incubator program to encourage lawyers to serve small and rural communities. Rob noted that New Mexico's goal of providing legal services to underrepresented communities is similar to Utah's efforts to implement the Futures Commission recommendations.
- 1.5 Review Website.** Rob Rice showed slides of the pages of the Bar's new website design. The design is less cluttered and better organized. Rob pointed out that the new design

cost more than initially anticipated but that the expense was worth getting exactly what the Bar needed for the most functional website.

- 1.6 Review Practice Portal.** Rob Rice presented slides showing how the new Practice Portal will look. Members will have an assortment of “cards” available on which they can link to services like e-filing, Office 365, LawyPay and Casemaker. Some cards will be free and others will have a charge associated with their use.

2. Action Items

- 2.1 Appoint Representative to the Executive and Judicial Compensation Commission.** After a discussion of potential appointees, **Michelle Mumford moved to appoint Samuel Alba to serve as the Bar’s representative on the Executive and Judicial Compensation Committee. Cara Tangaro seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**
- 2.2 Approve Futures Commission Report.** Rob Rice presented highlights from his report describing the Bar’s progress in implementing the recommendations of the July 29, 2015 final report of the Bar’s Futures Commission. After a discussion of the progress made, **Dickson Burton moved to approve the Futures Commission Progress Report. Kate Conyers seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**
- 2.3 Reappoint Bryan Pattison to Utah Legal Services Board.** After discussion, **Katie Woods moved to reappoint Bryan Pattison to serve on the Utah Legal Services Board. Heather Farnsworth seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**
- 2.4 Approve Convention Review Committee Report.** The report and recommendations were presented at the May 12, 2017 Commission Meeting for review by the Commission in anticipation of discussion and vote at this meeting. **Grace Acosta moved to approve the recommendations of the Convention Review Committee. John Lund seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**
- 2.5 Approve Convention Reimbursement Policies.** Grace Acosta moved to approve the convention reimbursement policies. **Liisa Hancock seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**

Item for Action Not Listed On Agenda

Approve August 2017 Candidates for Admission to the Utah State Bar. A handout listing the Admittees was distributed. **Herm Olsen moved to approve the list of August 2017 candidates for admission to the Bar. Grace Acosta seconded the motion which passed unopposed.**

3. Commission Reorganization

- 3.1 Welcome New Bar Commissioner.** Postponed until August meeting.

3.2 Appoint Ex Officio Members. Kate Conyers moved to appoint the 2017 -2018 Ex Officio members listed below. Herm Olsen seconded the motion which passed unopposed. Past Bar President (**Rob Rice**); the Bar's Representatives to the ABA House of Delegates (**Nate Alder and Angelina Tsu**); the Bar's YLD Representative to the ABA House of Delegates (**Chris Wharton**); Utah's ABA Members' Representative to the ABA House of Delegates (**Margaret Plane**); the Utah Minority Bar Association Representative (**Jamie Sorenson**); the Women Lawyers of Utah Representative (**Diana Hagen**); the LGBT and Allied Lawyers of Utah Representative (**Amy Fowler**); the Paralegal Division Representative (**Julie Emery**); the J. Reuben Clark Law School Dean (**Gordon Smith**); the S.J. Quinney College of Law Dean (**Robert Adler**); and the Young Lawyers Division Representative (**Dani Cepernich**).

3.3 Appoint Executive Committee. Michelle Mumford moved to appoint John Lund, Dickson Burton, Kate Conyers and Katie Woods as members of the Executive Committee. Grace Acosta seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

3.4 Adopt Resolution on Bank Signatures. John Bradley moved to approve members of the Executive Committee as signatories on the Bar's checking account. Cara Tangaro seconded the motion which passed unopposed.

3.5 Sign Conflict of Interest Disclosures. Voting Commissioners signed and submitted conflict of interest disclosures.

4. Recognize Retiring Commissioners. The Commission recognized Dickson Burton's long and productive service on the Commission. His term as a Commissioner is over, but he will continue to serve on the Commission as President-Elect and then President. The Commission also recognized Rob Rice's long and valuable service as a Bar Commissioner, President-elect and President.

5. Executive Session.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Consent Agenda

1. Approved Minutes from the May 12, 2017 Commission Meeting.
2. Approved Online Content and Social Media Policy.

Handouts: List of August 2017 Candidates for Bar Admission.