



**Minutes – Board of Governors Meeting
April 15, 2020
Via Zoom Meetings**

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada was convened on April 15, 2020

The following members were in attendance:

Paul Matteoni, President
Eric Dobberstein, President-Elect
Ann Morgan, Vice President
Richard Pocker, Immediate Past President
Paola Armeni
Julie Cavanaugh Bill
Doug Clark
Terry Coffing
Andrew Craner
Richard Dreitzer
Jessica Goodey
Gene Leverty
Kari Stephens
Joel Locke
Catherine Mazzeo

State Bar staff present:

Kimberly Farmer
Lisa Dreitzer
Marc Mersol
Manny Botello

CALL TO ORDER

President Paul Matteoni called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 9:15 pm. Mr. Matteoni addresses the changes that have occurred at the bar as a result of the current health crisis. Kimberly Farmer provides an update to the board on how the Office of Bar Counsel has been conducting hearings while maintaining social distancing.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved

DISCUSSION

Annual Meeting:

Mr. Matteoni discusses the memberships concerns regarding the Annual Meeting in June. Ms. Farmer outlines the possible issues with moving forward with the Annual Meeting as planned for New Orleans. Doug Clark points out to the board that the Mayor of New Orleans has canceled all major events through the end of the year. It was moved, second and carried to cancel the June 2020 Annual Meeting.

Bar Exam:

Mr. Matteoni brings up the potential issues for the upcoming July Bar exam during the unprecedented health crisis affecting the country. Ms. Farmer highlights the potential financial impact to the bar. Ann Morgan brings up the need to look at the late fees students may be assessed as a result of waiting to make a final decision closer to the test date.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Marc Mersol presented a summary of the state bar's Financial Report for February 28, 2020. It was moved, seconded and

carried to accept the February 28, 2020 financial report.

APPOINTMENTS

The Board approved the following appointments:

Board of Bar Examiners:

John Petty
Joan Howarth

Nevada Lawyer Editorial Board:

Patricia Cafferata
Chad Olsen
Scott Wasserman

Officer Appointments one-year term commencing July 1,2020

Chair: Chad Olsen
Chair-Elect: Steven Smith
Vice-Chair: Laura Tucker
Immediate Past Chair: Kristen Simmons

Lawyer Referral Service Committee:

It was moved and second to table the appointments to a later meeting

Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration:

Jennifer Fraser

May 4, 2020 E-mail Vote

Via an email vote it was moved, seconded and approved to submit a petition to the Supreme Court seeking to amend SCR 84 to allow attorneys certified under SCR 49.1(c) the ability to vote in Board of Governors Elections.

May 5, 2020 E-mail Vote

The Board previously approved applying for a loan under the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). The State Bar was approved to receive a PPP loan. With final documents in hand to complete the loan process the Board voted (via an email vote) to not move forward with the PPP loan as previously approved.

May 22, 2020 E-mail Vote

Via an email vote it was moved, seconded and carried to submit a petition to the Supreme Court Rule seeking temporary relief from the annual meeting requirements.