

**MINUTES**  
**IDAHO STATE BAR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**May 19, 2006**  
**Boise, Idaho**

President Hon. Rick Carnaroli called the business meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Idaho State Bar to order at 8:35 a.m., at the Red Lion in Pocatello, Idaho. In addition to President Carnaroli, in attendance were Commissioners Tom Banducci, Jay Sturgell, Terry White and Andy Hawes, Bar Counsel Brad Andrews, Deputy Bar Counsel Julia Crossland and Executive Director Diane K. Minnich, who acted as secretary.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Per Idaho Code Section 67-2345, the Commission, after an aye vote was recorded from each Commissioner, moved into executive session at 8:35.m. The executive session concluded at 9:50 a.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the following agenda items.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the April 7, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Financial Report** – The Commission was provided with the March 31 and April 30, 2006 financial reports. As of April 30, 2006, revenue was at 76.81% of budget and expenses were at 28.77% of budget.

**Reactivating Licenses** – The Commission discussed the three requests from attorneys wanting to reactivate their active license from affiliate status.

**Everett Smith** – The Commission reviewed the additional information submitted by Everett Smith. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to reaffirm the decision made at the April meeting regarding Everett's Smith request to transfer from affiliate to active status, which was Mr. Smith must sit for the essay portion of the bar exam and submit a request for the Character and Fitness to review specific issues raised in his request to transfer to active status.

**Christopher Daines** – The Commission reviewed a request from Christopher Daines to transfer from affiliate to active status. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve Christopher Daines' request to transfer to active status.

**Jackie Hovey** – It was moved, seconded and passed to inform Jackie Hovey that she must formally apply for reinstatement to active status in order for the Commission to act on her request.

**Judicial Council Appointment** – Commissioner Sturgell was not present for the discussion or the vote. The Commission considered applicants for the judicial council position vacated by Kenneth Howard; Tim Gresback, Joel Hazel, John Judge, Betty Richardson, Erick Smith, Anne Solomon, and Connie Taylor. After discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to appoint Anne Solomon to the Idaho Judicial Council to replace Kenneth Howard.

**Awards** - It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the Service Award recipients as recommended: James J. Davis, Lisa J. Mesler, John J. McMahon, R. Daniel Bowen, Mark S. Moorer, Richard C. Boardman, Stephen J. McGrath, and William J. Armstrong (non-lawyer) It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the pro bono award recipients as recommended: Fonda Jovick, Carole Wells, Bryan K. Walker, George DeFord, Kira D. Pfisterer, Lois K. Fletcher, J. Layne Davis, Lisa Rasmussen, Laura O'Connell, Lowell Hawkes, Scott Lewis, James Ruchti, Penelope North-Shaul. It was moved, seconded and passed to select the following Professionalism award recipients: First District – Janelle Burke, Second District – Dean Don Burnett, Third District – William Gigray, III, Fourth District –John W. “Jack” Barrett and Walter Bithell, Fifth District –Russell Kvanvig, Sixth District – Keith Zollinger, Seventh District – Dale Storer.

**Contested Judicial Elections, Survey Update** – The Commission discussed the effects, outcomes and follow-up to the contested judicial elections survey conducted in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> judicial districts. Bar Counsel and the Executive Director reported that the Judicial Independence Committee would meet after the election to review the results and make recommendations for future action. Commissioner Banducci agreed to serve as the Commission liaison to the Judicial Independence Committee.

**Judicial Salaries** – Commissioner Banducci discussed the issue of judicial salaries with the Commission. The Commission determined that Commissioner Banducci and the Executive Director should meet with Administrative Director of the Courts Patti Tobias to discuss if and how the bar might be involved in this issue

**ABA State Bar Delegate** – The Commission considered the application of Larry Hunter to be reappointed as the State Bar Delegate to the ABA House of Delegates. It was moved, seconded and passed to appoint Larry Hunter to serve another 2-year term as the ABA State Bar Delegate.

**Lobbying Information** – It was moved, seconded to defer the discussion on lobbying and legislative activity to the next meeting.

**Building Update** – The Executive Director reported that developer Clay Carley had again determined that building on the lot next door was not a priority; he does not plan to further pursue his offer to purchase the law center at this time.

**BOC Election Update** – The Commission was provided with the Board of Commissioners election canvass, Dwight Baker was elected to represent the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> districts. The Commission also reviewed the historical BOC election results.

**Annual Meeting Schedule** – The Commission reviewed the final Annual Meeting schedule; specifically those events that the Commissioners should attend.

**Bar Exam Statistics** – The Commission was provided with the statistics for the February 2006 bar examination.

**Certified Shorthand Reporters Board** – The Executive Director reported that, by statute, the Board of Commissioners appoint one member for the Certified Shorthand Reporters Board. She requested suggestions for attorneys to serve on this board.

**Supreme Court Report** – The Commission was provided with the minutes of the April 20 Supreme Court Oral Conference and the minutes of the April 21 Administrative Conference.

**REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/NEWS CLIPPINGS**

The Commission was provided with the following May 2, 2006 membership statistics – 4,726; LRS Statistics, LAP Committee Meeting Minutes, Public Information Committee meeting minutes, Workers’ Compensation Section report and information about the Idaho Interactive Court Forms project; *Miscellaneous Letters/Info*; Thank-you letters, and news clippings for the past month.

There being no further business, the business meeting was adjourned at out at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane K. Minnich  
Executive Director