

MINUTES

Eighth Circuit Bar Association

Meeting of Officers and Directors

May 8, 2007

(by conference call)

Present: Tom Weaver (president); Tom Boyd (president-elect); Barry Pickens (secretary); Mark Marshall (treasurer); Doug Bahr (N. Dak.); Angela Campbell (S.D. Iowa); Jeffrey Ellis (E.D. Ark.); Larry Friedman (E.D. Mo.); Jeremiah Morgan (W.D. Mo.); Karl Robinson (at-large); Bob Rossiter (Neb.); and Mark Salter (S. Dak.).

Absent: Craig Eichstadt (past president); Alok Ahuja (at-large); Diane Bratvold (Minn.); Julie Cullen (at-large); Tom Kieklak (W.D. Ark.); and Dana Oxley (N.D. Iowa).

Association President Tom Weaver called the meeting to order around 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Weaver noted that a majority of the full Board of Directors was not present and that a quorum was not established for the April 10, 2007 meeting, so that the board had not conducted official business in April 2007 and there were thus no minutes to be approved from the scheduled April 10, 2007 board meeting. The board unanimously approved the previously circulated minutes of the March 2007 meeting, as amended.

Treasurer Mark Marshall advised the board that there was no material activity to report with respect to the Association's finances.

Director Jeffrey Ellis advised the board that there was no material activity to report with respect to membership issues.

Director Angela Campbell updated the board on the status of the Association's website. Upon motion made by Jeffrey Ellis and seconded by Bob Rossiter, the board unanimously authorized Angela Campbell to enter into a contract for creation of the Association's static website and the board authorized all payments required toward that contract.

Director Jeremiah Morgan updated the board on the status of the mentoring program.

Director Bob Rossiter advised the board that he had not received any word from other members of the panel scheduled to hear argument in Omaha.

Tom Weaver advised the board that Tiffany Brown had prepared a new edition of the Association's newsletter and he reminded directors that she needs assistance from all members in providing information for future editions of the newsletter.

Tom Weaver advised the board that the Association will not be hosting a seminar later this year but noted that the Association will continue to explore whether other possible activities would be appropriate for the Association's consideration.

Tom Weaver advised the board that he had been in continued communications with Millie Adams regarding the 2008 judicial conference and the Association's assistance to the Court with that conference.

Tom Weaver advised the board that he had been in continued communications with Jim Layton about the Association's possible involvement in a NITA-like program for appellate practitioners and advised that the Association will continue to explore possible involvement in such a program.

President-elect Tom Boyd advised the board that Judge Lay's former law clerks were going to caucus to discuss the possible establishment of a memorial fund in Judge Lay's name. He asked members of the board to consider whether the Association should contribute to such a memorial fund. The board agreed to consider this issue further at a future board meeting.

Tom Weaver noted that the regularly scheduled date for the next meeting would be Tuesday, June 12, 2007, at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting adjourned around 10:40 a.m.