

MINUTES

Eighth Circuit Bar Association

October 7, 2008

(by conference call)

Present: Tom Boyd (president); Barry Pickens (secretary); Diane Bratvold (treasurer); Tom Weaver (past president); Doug Bahr (N. Dak.); John Baker (Minn.); Julie Cullen (at-large); Larry Friedman (E.D. Mo.); Tom Kieklak (W.D. Ark.); Jeremiah Morgan (W.D. Mo.); Dana Oxley (N.D. Iowa); Karl Robinson (at-large); Mark Salter (S. Dak.); and Roger Shiffermiller (Neb.).

Absent: Mark Marshall (president-elect); Angela Campbell (S.D. Iowa); and Jeffrey McKinley (E.D. Ark.).

Tom Boyd called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Upon motion made by Doug Bahr and seconded by Diane Bratvold, the board unanimously approved the minutes of the board of directors meeting held on September 3, 2008.

Diane Bratvold provided the board with an update regarding the association's finances and circulated a written treasurer's report for the past month ending on October 7, 2008. Upon motion made by Larry Friedman and seconded by Tom Weaver, the board unanimously voted to accept the treasurer's report.

Tom Boyd advised the board regarding his efforts with respect to the next edition of the Association's newsletter.

Jeremiah Morgan and Barry Pickens updated the board regarding the CLE program and reception that the Association will hold in Kansas City on October 16, 2008 at the courthouse. The event will start at 3:00 p.m. and end at approximately 5:00 p.m.; the reception will run from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Jeremiah Morgan and Barry Pickens reported that everything is on schedule and that the program will be within the budget authorized by the board.

Tom Boyd updated the board regarding the committee's planning for the Association's program and reception to be held in St. Paul on November 12, 2008. The program will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a reception to follow in the building. The format for the program will involve breakout sessions with the judges as was done at the last program in St. Louis in 2007.

The board discussed options to fill the open seat on the Association's board of directors. Tom Weaver will contact Michael Gans to discuss his interest in joining the board.

Jeffrey McKinley was unavailable to update the board on membership but had provided a written report that Tom Boyd agreed to circulate to the board.

Jeremiah Morgan advised the board that he had nothing new to report regarding the Association's mentoring program.

Tom Boyd advised the board that he had contacted Professor Sullivan to discuss whether the UALR Law School would be interested in jointly holding an Appellate Practice Institute with our Association or would object to our holding one under that name but had not yet been able to have that discussion with Professor Sullivan.

Tom Boyd noted that the next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for November 4, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:20 a.m.