

Association of the Bar of the Eighth Circuit  
Board Minutes: January 20, 2009

- 1. Called to Order:** Mark Marshall, President.  
Roll Call: Jeremiah Morgan, Treasurer.  
Present: M. Marshall; T. Kieklak; D. Bratvold; J. Morgan; M. Gans; A. Campbell;  
R. Shiffermiller; J. Baker; J. McKinley; B. Pickens; E. Suni; K. Robinson; T.  
Boyd  
Not Present: J. Cullen; T. Weaver; D. Oxley; D. Bahr; L. Friedman; M. Salter
- 2. Minutes of December 16, 2008 Meeting Presented:** Barry Pickens, President-elect  
Motion to approve – Thomas Boyd; Second – Diane Bratvold; Board approved.
- 3. Treasurer's Report:** Diane Bratvold, Secretary.  
Motion to approve – Barry Pickens; Second – Michael Gans; Board approved.  
Noted that all catering bills have been paid.
- 4. Status of Newsletter:** Tom Boyd, Immediate Past President.  
Tom Boyd reported that Larry Friedman and his firm have assisted in putting  
together. The new officer section will need to be revised and the hope is to  
keep this as a year end newsletter. Tom anticipates getting out shortly – by the  
end of the month. Need to get e-mail list and Jeffrey McKinley indicated she  
will forward list in excel format. Tom reviewed contents of newsletter briefly.
- 5. Director and Officer Nominations:**  
Discussion held concerning how to handle the change of circumstances of Mark  
Marshall. Mark Marshall appointed a judge and unable to continue as  
President of the Bar. Suggestion made that all officers advance one position.  
Motion to approve a new slate of officers – Barry Pickens (nominating Barry  
Pickens, President; Diane Bratvold, President-elect; Jeremiah Morgan,  
Secretary; and Karl Robinson, Treasurer); Second – Tom Boyd; Board  
approved.
- 6. Membership Report:** Jeffrey McKinley.  
Three new members reported with a total of 246 members. This is slightly ahead  
of last year with judicial applications increasing significantly. Report made  
that after programs are completed there are typically more membership  
applications.

**7. Report on Omaha Program and Other Possible Programs:**

J. Cullen unable to join call but on top of the planning for Omaha program on May 11, 2009. Discussion had of an event involving the new book about Judge Arnold. M. Gans discussed and suggested whole Court be present. T. Boyd also commented on the 8<sup>th</sup> Circuit's Historical Society and their interest. Suggestions of event in Des Moines and Little Rock. Judge M. Arnold will be sitting with the Court in St. Paul in June. B. Pickens, T. Boyd and M. Gans on subcommittee.

**8. Other Business:**

Motion to Accept Resignation of M. Marshall – D. Bratvold; Second – K. Robinson; Board Approved.

B. Pickens suggested that we have both M. Marshall and T. Boyd continue as immediate past presidents.

Recognition of D. Suni and M. Gans as new members of the board.

Minutes reflect gratitude of T. Weaver and his great work. M. Marshall and B. Pickens will write a note of thanks.

**9. Motion to Adjourn:** M. Gans; J. Baker – Second; Board Approved.

\*\*\* Meeting Adjourned.