

Association of the Bar of the Eighth Circuit

Board Minutes: August 4, 2009

1. **Called to Order:** B. Pickens, President.
 2. **Roll Call:** J. Morgan, Secretary.
Present: Doug Bahr; John Baker; Diane Bratvold; Angela Campbell; Larry Friedman; Michael Gans; Jeremiah Morgan; Dana Oxley; Barry Pickens; Karl Robinson; Ellen Suni
Not Present: Tom Boyd; Julie Cullen; Tom Kieklak; Jeffrey McKinley; Mark Salter; Roger Shiffermiller.
 3. **Minutes of June and July 2009 Meeting Presented:** J. Morgan, Secretary.
Motion to approve D. Bahr; M. Gans second; Board approved.
 4. **Treasurer's Report Presented:** K. Robinson, Treasurer. Motion to approve D. Bratvold; D. Bahr second; Board approved.
 5. **Recommendations Regarding Committee Assignments:** B. Pickens discussed strategic planning committee to include current Executive Committee of Board. B. Pickens also invited M. Gans and E. Suni to participate as well. In addition M. Salter requested to participate. Opened for suggestions on anyone else desiring to join. Motion made to appoint committee members of strategic planning as above: J. Baker moved; L. Friedman second. Board approved. Membership committee discussed. J. McKinley agreed to continue as chair and D. Bahr as a member of committee. The membership committee will continue as presently constituted. Mentoring committee has vacancy in chair with T. Kieklak and R. Shiffermiller as members. Website committee discussed. A. Campbell has been acting as de facto chair of the website and she is inclined to continue. Newsletter committee – vacancy in chair position. Suggestions welcome from others as to participation in committees. Motion to nominate A. Campbell as chair of website committee – D. Bratvold moved; L. Friedman second. Board approved. J. Morgan moved to nominate M. Gans, L. Friedman and D. Oxley as members of the newsletter committee; D. Bratvold second. Board approved.
 6. **Event with Professor Price:** B. Pickens reported that the information remains about the same as two weeks ago. B. Pickens has reached out to the Professor who is on vacation. B. Pickens will set up a meeting with M. Gans and L. Friedman to prepare a budget and plan the details of the event. M. Gans has contacted J. Loken regarding what the Court will be doing to participate.
 7. **Newsletter/Research Assistant Status:** B. Pickens updated on the status. Research Assistant accepted the position and had conference call with B. Pickens. Elena Vanderworth is the Research Assistant. Anticipated that third or fourth week of August will be the timing for the next newsletter. Opened up for suggestions on newsletter.
 8. **Other Business:** None presented.
- *** Meeting Adjourned.