

## WEST VIRGINIA BAR FOUNDATION, INC.

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THE WEST VIRGINIA BAR FOUNDATION, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

STATE BAR CENTER - CHARLESTON

NOVEMBER 20, 1997

## MINUTES

The meeting of the Bar Foundation's Board of Directors was called to order by President John McClaugherty on November 20, 1997 at the State Bar Center in Charleston.

Members of the Board in attendance were Charles Loeb, Mike Chaney, Mote Thompson, Cheryl Henderson, Rob Fisher and Howard Persinger. Participating by telephone conference call were Bob Wallace, Dick Ford and Gary Sacco. Tom Tinder was also present.

The first item on the Agenda was a review of the Minutes of the last Board meeting which was held on August 12, 1997. There were no additions or corrections to the Minutes as presented.

President McClaugherty then called upon Mr. Chaney and Mr. Fisher for a report from the Nominating Committee. They stated that they would have a full report at the next Board meeting.

The next item on the Agenda was a review of the State Bar Center Lease between the Bar Foundation and the State Bar. Mr. Chaney and Mr. Loeb led a discussion concerning this draft document which had been distributed to the Board members prior to the meeting. There were numerous questions about the Lease and several changes and additions were made to it. Finally, a motion was duly made, seconded and passed that the Lease as amended, be approved.

The draft Lease had been accepted by the State Bar at an October meeting of its Board of Governors. With the changes that had been made by the Board of Directors, the document would have to be referred back to the State Bar's Board of Governors for its consideration.

President McClaugherty then asked for a report from the IOLTA Advisory Committee. In the absence of Mr. Crandall, Mr. Tinder talked about the meeting of the IOLTA Advisory Committee which had been held on October 22, 1997. Its recommendation to the Board of Directors was to approve \$200,000 to be distributed to the four Legal Services Programs in the state. After some comments were made, a motion was duly made, seconded and passed that the payment of \$200,000 in IOLTA funds to the four Legal Services Programs in the state be made to the Supreme Court for this final consideration.

The next item on the Agenda was the financial report. The Board members reviewed several documents concerning the financial condition of the Bar Foundation and the IOLTA Program for the first four months of the fiscal year - July 1, 1997 through October 31, 1997. The financial condition of both entities was good. There were several questions that were asked and answered about the documents.

Then, Mr. Tinder distributed copies of the Form 990 of the Internal Revenue Service to the Board members for the fiscal year of July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997. The document had been sent to the Internal Revenue Service on its due date of November 17, 1997.

President McClaugherty then requested information concerning a possible Foundation Fellows Program. Mr. Tinder distributed a draft proposal for setting up such an activity. There were numerous questions concerning it. A motion was duly made, seconded and passed that a Sub Committee be appointed to work on setting up a specific Fellows Program. President McClaugherty appointed Mr. Persinger as Chairperson of the Sub Committee and Mr. Loeb and Mr. Casey as Sub Committee members.

It was then announced that the Citizen of the Year and Lawyer of the Year Awards would be made at the State Bar's Annual Meeting which will be on March 27-28, 1998 at the Greenbrier Hotel in White Sulphur Springs. It was agreed that the forms for the two Awards would be placed in both the January and February issues of <u>The West Virginia Lawyer</u> magazine and then the Board would review the nominations at its next meeting.

President McClaugherty announced that the next meeting of the Board of Directors would be in the latter part of February or the early part of March, 1998.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned.