

**WEST VIRGINIA BAR FOUNDATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
ZOOM
MARCH 6, 2025-12:00 PM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the West Virginia Bar Foundation's Board of Directors was called to order by President Ann Haight, at 12:00 PM.

Board Members participating were President Ann Haight, Vice President David Morrison, Secretary/Treasurer Judge Patrick Flatley, Immediate Past President Teresa Dumire, Judge Jack Alsop, Judge Patricia Hill, Debra Kilgore, Teresa McCune, Jill McIntyre, Suleiman Oko-Ogua, Chazz Printz, Barry Taylor, John Taylor, and Tom Tinder. Executive Director Tessa White was also present.

REVIEW OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

The first item on the agenda was a review of the Minutes of the previous Board of Directors meeting, which had been held on December 5, 2024. A motion was duly made, seconded, and passed that the Minutes be approved with minor changes discussed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

President Haight called upon Secretary/Treasurer Judge Flatley to present the financial report for the first eight months of the 2024-25 fiscal year, July 1, 2024 – February 28, 2025. After questions from the Board members and responses, a motion was duly made, seconded, and passed to approve the year-to-date financial report as presented.

Secretary/Treasurer Judge Flatley discussed the Lawyer Leadership Institute, in relation to its lost Title Sponsor of Antero Resources at \$10,000. A motion was duly made, seconded, and passed to expend up to \$6,000 in order to host the Lawyer Leadership Institute this year.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Vice President David Morrison presented the report. The Nominating Committee recommends that the following individuals serve a three-year term (2025-2028): Norwood Bentley, Martinsburg; Sandra Chapman, Wheeling; Olubunmi Kusimo-Frazier, Charleston; Jill McIntyre, Lewisburg; Barry Taylor, Huntington. A motion was duly made, seconded, and passed to approve the Nominating Committee recommendation, with Barry Taylor abstaining from voting for himself.

The Nominating Committee recommends that the following individuals serve as Officers for the 2025-2026 fiscal year: President – David Morrison; Vice President – Judge Jack Alsop; Secretary/Treasurer – Barry Taylor. A motion was duly made, seconded, and passed to approve the Nominating Committee recommendation, with David Morrison, Judge Jack Alsop, and Barry Taylor abstaining.

REPORT OF STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEES

President Ann Haight called upon Vice President David Morrison to present the Development, Fundraising, and Finance Subcommittee report. The Development, Fundraising, and Finance Subcommittee outlined its plan of action items to meet the Foundation's goal of raising \$350,000 to add to the Justice Fund. After

some discussion, a motion was duly made, seconded, and passed to approve the Development, Fundraising, and Finance Subcommittee's recommendations. President Ann Haight called upon Teresa McCune to present the Engagement, Collaboration, and Outreach Subcommittee report. The Engagement, Collaboration, and Outreach Subcommittee will meet again to discuss the reduced Foundation Fellow financial commitment in more detail. President Ann Haight called upon Chazz Printz to present the Strengthen from Within Subcommittee report. Its primary recommendations are to put out the brand by arranging brief agenda appearances at bar association meetings to discuss the Foundation's outreach and projects and to invite our Lawyer Leadership attendees to the annual dinner or Lunch & Laughs event to make the recognition more personal. The Strengthen from Within Subcommittee will meet again to discuss a plan of action.

OTHER BUSINESS

President Ann Haight invited the Board Members and one guest to the 27th Annual Foundation Fellows Dinner on April 10, 2025 at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel. She also invited Board Members to attend the Strategic Planning Subcommittee Meetings on April 10, 2025 at 3:00 pm at the Charleston offices of Steptoe & Johnson.

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

President Haight announced that the schedule for the upcoming events and Board of Directors Meetings is as follows:

- BOD Meeting – June 5, 2025 – 12:00 pm, Zoom
- Lunch and Laughs with a Legal Legend – September 5, 2025 – Erickson Alumni Center in Morgantown
- BOD Meeting – September 5, 2025 – 1:00 pm, or immediately following the Lunch & Laughs event, Erickson Alumni Center, Morgantown, WV

ADJOURNMENT

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