

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**

President McGill called the meeting to order at 11:11 a.m. on Thursday, September 19, 2024, in the Dennison Room of the Detroit Marriott Troy.

Commissioners present:

David C. Anderson, Secretary
Erika L. Bryant, Vice President
Aaron V. Burrell
Hon. B. Chris Christenson
Ponce D. Clay
Tanya N. Cripps-Serra
Sherrie L. Detzler
Robert A. Easterly
Jacob G. Eccleston
Nicole A. Evans
Lisa. J. Hamameh, President-Elect
Thomas H. Howlett, Treasurer
Elizabeth A. Kitchen-Troop
Suzanne C. Larsen

Joshua Lerner
James W. Low
Ashley E. Lowe
Silvia A. Mansoor
Gerard V. Mantese
Gerrow D. "Gerry" Mason
Joseph P. McGill, President
Thomas P. Murray Jr.
Hon. David A. Perkins
John W. Reiser III
Douglas B. Shapiro
Hon. Kristen D. Simmons
Danielle Walton

Commissioners absent:

Patrick J. Crowley
Claudnyse D. Holloman
James L. Liggins, Jr.

Elizabeth L. Luckenbach
Takura N. Nyamfukudza
Nicholas M. Ohanesian

Guests

Daniel D. Quick

Valerie R. Newman

State Bar staff present:

Peter Cunningham, Executive Director
Scott Atkinson, Communications Specialist
Drew Baker, General Counsel
Margaret Bossenbery, Executive Coordinator
Sarah Brown, Brand Designer
Gregory Conyers, Program Director, Diversity Development Program
Darin Day, Program Director, Outreach
Katherine Gardner, Unauthorized Practice of Law Counsel
Tatiana Goodkin, Chief Financial Officer
Robert Mathis, Pro Bono Services & Justice Initiatives Counsel
Molly Ranns, Director, Lawyers & Judges Assistance Program
Linda Rawls, Unauthorized Practice of Law Counsel
Kristin Sewell, Program Director, Research & Development
Janna Sheppard, Administrative Assistant
Jeanette Socia, Director of Human Resources
Marjory Raymer, Director of Communications
Nathan Triplett, Director, Governmental Relations

President's Report

Mr. McGill welcomed and introduced the new Board members.

Mr. McGill administered the oath of office to the commissioners.

Authorize President to Appoint an Executive Committee

Mr. McGill asked for a motion to approve the appointment of the Executive Committee. A motion was offered, seconded, and approved.

2024-2025 Commissioner Committee Appointments

Mr. McGill stated that the Commissioner committee appointments were in each of their packets.

Mr. McGill shared that the officers made two recommended changes to the Commissioner committees. First, that the Communications and Member Services (CAMS) Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee should be merged into one committee – the Strategic Planning and Engagement Committee. Likewise, the Finance and Audit Committees should also be merged into one committee – the Finance and Audit Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to support these recommendations. The motion was approved.

2024-2025 Commissioner Section Liaison Appointments

Mr. McGill stated that the Commissioner Section Liaison appointments were in each of their packets and encouraged Commissioners to represent the BOC by reaching out to the section(s) they are appointed to and establishing a connection.

Fiscal Matters

Ms. Bossenbery stated that information about Nexonia was in their packets and explained the process to submit expense reimbursements to the Commissioners. Everyone should submit their

expenses for FY24 by September 30, 2024. If any Commissioner wishes to donate their mileage to ATJ, please contact Ms. Bossenbery.

Board Member Information Forms

The Board received the forms to complete for the Pictorial Directory and were asked to return them to Ms. Bossenbery once they were completed. Ms. Bossenbery stated that the directory is only distributed to Commissioners and to members of the Strategic Management Team at SBM.

2024-2025 Board of Commissioners and Representative Assembly Meeting Dates

The Board received the dates for the 2024-2025 Board of Commissioners and Representative Assembly meetings. Mr. McGill stated that he planned to have all the board meetings in-person and that except for the members of the Executive Committee, it was not mandatory that Commissioners attend the RA meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m.