

Philadelphia Bar Association
Board of Governors
July 26, 2007

1. The meeting was called to order and upon motion made, and seconded, the minutes of the June 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.
2. The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer, Scott Cooper. To date, the Association is approximately \$83,000 over budget. 99% of dues revenue has been collected. Upon motion and second, the Report was unanimously approved.
3. The Chancellor gave her announcements. The results of the Board retreat, conducted in May, are continuing to be acted upon with ad hoc committees meeting to further engage the members in the process. The committees include: Financial Oversight (Scott Cooper); Diversity (Mike Pratt), Policy/Long Range Planning, Membership, By-Laws, and Personnel. New rules for using the Association's List Serve have been posted. The Board approved new members to the Bar Reporter's Editorial Board: Ria C. Momblanco, Kate Harr, and Regina Parker. A new appointment to the Philadelphia Lawyer Editorial Board was also approved by the Board: Shelley R. Smith.
4. The Chair gave her announcements. The Section Chairs continue to meet on a regular basis and share information to help their respective memberships.
5. Presentation of Resolutions from the Charter and Bylaws Committee requesting submission of amendments to the members, presented by Bruce Franzel and Lisa Washington.

Resolution No. 1: Amending Sec. 1001-Administration of Official Publications. Changed the appointment process of editorial boards. Passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2: Amending Sec. 208-Composition of the Board. The immediate past Chancellor will remain as a voting member, while the previous Chancellor (2 years past), will have a non-voting ex officio position. The immediate past Chair of the Board will remain a voting member. The appointment of members based upon the recommendation of the Minorities in the Profession Committee will be increased from 2 to 3 members and each position will be for 3 year years. Passed Unanimously.

Resolution No. 3: Amending Sec. 210B. The Board will now require 18 voting members present in order to constitute a quorum to transact Association business. The Resolution passed with one opposed.

Resolution No. 4: Requirement of a super quorum for amending bylaws. Withdrawn.

Resolution No. 5: Expanding the Method of Communication with Cabinet and Board of Governors to permit electronic communication. The Resolution passed with two opposed.

Resolution No. 6: Removing the 100 mile limitation for law professor membership in the Association. The Resolution passed with one abstention.

6. Vice Chancellor Sayde Ladov provided a report on the Lawyer Referral and Information Service. The Association budgeted \$180,000 in fees from LRIS referrals and has already received \$120,000 to date. Spanish language contacts are up 6.5% from last year. Past Chancellor Andy Chirl's efforts on immigration issues were noted and applauded as an influence on this change. There is a serious discussion on changing the LRIS website to make it more "user friendly."

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved at 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:
John E. Savoth
Secretary