

**MARYLAND STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2011
CLARION RESORT FONTAINEBLEAU HOTEL
10100 COASTAL HIGHWAY
OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND**

President Thomas D. Murphy called the meeting to order at 3:10p.m. Thirty-two (32) members of the Board of Governors were present.

I. MINUTES

The minutes of the Board of Governors meeting held on May 13, 2011 at Nemaquin Resort in Farmington, Pennsylvania were approved as presented.

II. REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

A. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

1. President Murphy thanked all of the Governors for their participation over the past Bar year and expressed his enjoyment in serving as President. He then reported on his activities on Law Day, his comments at the Equal Justice Foundation Breakfast, and the Partners for Justice Conference.
2. President Murphy reported on various activities and publications including a press release on the Access to Justice Commission, an article on a study regarding updating the Baltimore City Circuit Courthouse, a news article regarding the voting patterns of members of the Maryland Court of Appeals, a letter from the Honorable John H. Tisdale, and a Notice regarding a new surcharge for recording instruments among the land and financing statement records.
3. President Murphy reported on recommended appointments made to the Boards of Directors of Legal Aid and of the Pro Bono Resource Center. By motions duly seconded and approved Melanie Mfume's appointment to the Pro Bono Resource Board of Directors and the reappointments of Warren S. Oliveri, Carlos A. Braxton, Jessica A. duHoffmann and G. Daniel Shealer to the Legal Aid Board of Directors were approved.
4. President Murphy next reported on the work of the Bylaws Committee, which is studying the issue of Section representation on the Board of Governors. A report to the Board of Governors is anticipated this fall.

B. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

1. Mr. Carlin presented the membership report, including 29 resignations and 11 new members, resulting in a total membership count of 23,284.
2. Mr. Carlin reported on the MSBA Annual Meeting, including the electronic distribution of all Meeting materials, and anticipated attendance of more than 600 lawyer attendees.
3. Mr. Carlin reported on the CLE Guidelines for MSBA Sections, which have been recommended to the Board of Governors by the Executive Committee. By motion duly seconded and approved the Guidelines were adopted.
4. Mr. Carlin reported on a website hosting proposal received by the MSBA. The Board approved the additional funding for this dedicated hosting.
5. Mr. Carlin reported on several miscellaneous matters including annual meeting costs in other states, correspondence received regarding the upcoming Bar Presidents Conference, a letter to the Editor regarding the Oregon Bar Association's membership directory, a historical article on the Prince George's County Bar Association, and several historical items regarding the anniversary of the initial hostilities of the Civil War in Baltimore, and the disbarment of former United States Vice President Spiro Agnew.
6. Mr. Carlin also reported on the retirement of Janet Eveleth, MSBA Director of Communications. Mr. Carlin noted her 24 year tenure, her consistently impeccable service, and her nationwide reputation for excellence. The Board of Governors gave her an extended standing ovation in appreciation of her efforts. Mrs. Eveleth appeared genuinely moved by the accolades, but was predictably gracious and professional.

C. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Secretary Michael J. Baxter reported that the materials discussed at the Board of Governors meeting had been previously reviewed and presented in the immediate prior Executive Committee meeting.

D. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Treasurer John P. Kudel reported year-to-date dues income of approximately \$2.7 million, total income of approximately \$4.6 million, expenses of approximately \$3.9 million, and budgeted but not yet expended income of \$689,297. Mr. Kudel commented on his great enjoyment in serving as MSBA Treasurer for five years.

E. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

President-Elect Henry E. Dugan reported on his recent Committee appointments and reaction he has received to them. He also implored all Governors to serve on a MSBA Committee or Section.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

RECONVENED AS THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MARYLAND BAR FOUNDATION

Upon motion duly seconded and approved the Board of Governors of the Maryland Bar Foundation approved the appointment of the following Foundation Officers and Board members:

Officers: President – Honorable Karen Murphy Jensen; Vice President – Robert J. Kreisslein; Secretary-Treasurer – Anne K. Albright

First Term Appointees: John P. Kudel; John J. Murphy; Paul F. Kemp

Second Term Appointees: Thomas C. Cardaro

Officers of the Fellows: Chair – John J. Murphy, Vice Chair – Sara H. Arthur, Secretary-Treasurer – Anne K. Albright

After adjournment of the MSBA Board of Governors sitting as the Maryland Bar Foundation Board of Governors, Past President Thomas C. Cardaro convened the Annual Meeting of the Avian Society and inducted President Thomas D. Murphy into the Society. Mr. Cardaro and Mr. Carlin presented several gifts of appreciation to President Murphy. President Murphy concluded the meeting with presentation of gifts to each of the members of the Board of Governors.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Baxter

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