

**District of Columbia Bar
Board of Governors' Meeting
December 11, 2018**

**Call to Order
(Agenda Item 1)**

President Esther H. Lim called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Other members of the Board of Governors who attended the meeting in-person were President-Elect Susan M. Hoffman, Immediate-Past President Patrick McGlone, Treasurer Amy E. Nelson, Secretary Paul S. Lee, Jessica E. Adler, Moses A. Cook, A.J. S. Dhaliwal, Karen E. Evans, Elizabeth "Sally" Gere, Theodore A. Howard, Annette K. Kwok, Megan Lacchini, Keiko Takagi, and Leslie T. Thornton.

Attending the board meeting via phone were board members Rodney J. Bosco, Peggy Lansbach O'More, and Ellen Ostrow.

Not attending the board meeting were board members David W. Arrojo, Elizabeth "Lisa" R. Dewey, Saleema Snow, Benjamin F. Wilson, and Christopher P. Zubowicz.

D.C. Bar staff who attended the meeting were Chief Executive Officer Robert J. Spagnoletti, D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center Executive Director Rebecca K. Troth, Matthew S. Butler, Beverly Chin, Carla J. Freudenburg, Natasha Ghent-Rodriguez, Caterina Luppi, Query Raobelina, Karen Savransky, Darrin Sobin, Evan Spath, Crystal White, and Adriana Zick. D.C. Bar staff member Amy Hackett was present via phone.

**President's Report
(Agenda Item 2)**

President Lim presented her report.

**Consent Agenda
(Agenda Item 3)**

President Lim presented the Consent Agenda to the Board, which approved the minutes of the October 16, 2018 meeting.

See Tab 3.

**Treasurer's Report
(Agenda Item 4)**

Treasurer Nelson presented her report on the financials for the period ending October 31, 2018. Treasurer Nelson fielded questions from the Board.

See Tab 4.

**CEO's Report
(Agenda Item 5)**

CEO Spagnoletti reported on staffing updates, including the ongoing search for the recently created General Counsel position. He also updated the Board on the lowered rates for Certificates of Good Standing. CEO Spagnoletti fielded questions from the Board.

See Tab 5.

**Annual Report of the Communities Committee
(Agenda Item 6)**

Communities Committee co-chair Catherine D. Bertram and Chief Programs Officer Sobin presented the annual report of the Communities Committee. The report included updates on membership activity, budget, and the launch of the Communities' new online platform, D.C. Bar Connect.

See Tab 6.

**Proposed Revisions to the Attorney/Client Arbitration Board
Fee Arbitration Service Rules of Procedure
(Agenda Item 7)**

Hansel T. Pham (Chair) and Kathleen E. Lewis (Assistant Director) proposed revisions to the Attorney/Client Arbitration Board (ACAB) Fee Arbitration Service Rules of Procedures. The Board approved the revisions as recommended with an amendment to the proposed revision of Rule 3(b). As approved, revised Rule 3(b) now reads: “The dispute must be about a fee paid, charged or claimed for legal services. This includes disbursements, related expenses, or pre-award interest.”

See Tab 7.

**Executive Session
(Agenda Item 8)**

The Board then met in Executive Session.

**Adjournment
(Agenda Item 9)**

There being no further business, President Lim adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



Paul S. Lee
Secretary