Board of Governors Action Items January 26 & 27, 2017

Recommended the admission of six reciprocity applicants and four applicants by UBE score transfer.

Approved the Rule 43 (ALSC) waivers for Elisabeth Mering and Rachael Delehanty.

Approved the Law Examiners committee recommendation to grant an applicant's request for time & a half and a separate room as special accommodations for the February bar exam.

Appointed Morgan Griffin as the alternate Young Lawyer Delegate for the ABA House of Delegates midyear meeting.

Reviewed the final status report and request for discharge by the trustee counsel in the Matter of Eugene Belland and voted to pay the final bill of \$2,472.09 to the trustee counsel.

Stephanie Galbraith-Moore, chair of the Law Related Education committee, appeared before the board to talk about the committee's activities, including the Youth Law Guide, Law Day, We the People, Attorney Connect, the art contest and involvement in Supreme Court Live.

Bar Counsel reported on her contact with an attorney regarding recovery of outstanding Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection awards from the subject attorneys.

Alaska Bar Foundation trustee Eva Gardner spoke to the board regarding the background and activities of the Foundation. In May 2016 the Foundation gave out \$30,000 in grants from IOLTA funds. The Foundation received \$1.2 million for grants as the results of a settlement between Bank of America and the U.S. Department of Justice, and gave three grants, totaling \$800,000.

Adopted the Area Hearing Committee recommendation in the Disciplinary Matter of Bryon Collins, who had stipulated to disbarment, with the exception that the board would like the Supreme Court to issue a final judgment in the amount of \$30,763, which is owed to the Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection.

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Bar Counsel Maria Bahr gave her notice to the board. They set the dates for applications, to select the interviewees, and the interviews.

The board decided to take no action on a proposed rule amendment which would have required attorneys to notify prospective clients of a public reprimand or censure.

Approved the minutes of the October 2016 board meeting.

Adopted the legal findings in the Disciplinary Matter involving Phillip Weidner but reached a different conclusion. Deferred the sanctions hearing until the next meeting in Anchorage, in September.

Adopted the revisions to the Bar Bylaws.

Reviewed a letter from Ken Jacobus regarding the efforts to repeal the civil case reporting requirement; encouraged Jacobus to write an article for the Bar Rag, and to contact local Bars.

Appointed an awards subcommittee of Chupka, Granger and Sebold.

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