Agenda

STATE BAR OF TEXAS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
STRATEGIC PLANNING RETREAT
Tuesday, August 18, 2020 – 9:15am
through Wednesday, August 19, 2020
Via Telephonic Open Meeting Pursuant to Governor’s March 16, 2020,
Temporary Suspension of Certain Open Meetings Provisions*

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Written comments must be received by 5:00pm on Thursday, August 13, 2020, for timely distribution to the Board of Directors before the Strategic Planning Retreat. Please submit written comments by email to boardofdirectors@texasbar.com.

Link to the August 18-19, 2020, Board of Directors Agenda and Materials:
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1. **Call to Order**
   Charlie Ginn

2. **Roll Call**
   Trey Apffel

3. **Invocation**
   Carmen Roe

4. **Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags**
   Marc Gravely

5. **Remarks from the General Public***
   (Members of the public will have an opportunity to comment during the teleconference. Time allocations will be made based on the number of people who sign up to speak, and speakers will be notified beforehand.)

6. **Discussion: Welcoming remarks**
   Charlie Ginn/Trey Apffel

7. **Discussion: Strategic Planning Overview**
   Shari Goldsberry

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8. **Plenary Session:** SBOT Vision and Values
   
   Elizabeth Derrico

9. **Recess until 2:15pm, August 19, 2020**
   
   Charlie Ginn

   The Board will stand in recess and members will assemble in separate, small breakout groups solely for the purpose of discussion and drafting of the State Bar Strategic Plan, through 2:00pm on August 19, 2020. The chair will ensure no quorum of the Board is present in any breakout group.

   The Board will reconvene at 2:15pm on August 19, 2020.

   No action will be taken regarding the State Bar Strategic Plan when the Board reconvenes.

10. **Board Meeting Reconvenes** (2:15pm on August 19, 2020)
    
    Charlie Ginn

11. **Closing Plenary Session:** Working toward Equitable Access to the Profession and the Justice System by Diverse Groups
    
    Elizabeth Derrico

12. **Report from General Counsel**
    
    Ross Fischer

13. **Report from Legal Counsel**
    
    John Sirman

   A. **Closed Session** as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel, including regarding pending or contemplated litigation (*McDonald v. Sorrels*, No. 20-50448 in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals); and Section 551.074 to deliberate regarding personnel matter(s)

   B. **End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session**

   C. **Action, if needed, regarding matters discussed in closed session.**

14. **Wrap-up/Closing Remarks**
    
    Charlie Ginn

15. **Adjourn**

   If, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the Board should determine that a closed session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this notice, then such closed session as authorized by Texas Open Meetings Act (Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 551) will be held by the Board at that date, hour and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071 – 551.084, inclusive, of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

   Items on the agenda will not necessarily be discussed or considered in the order they are printed on the agenda above. Comments from the public may be taken throughout the Board meeting.

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