

AGENDA
STATE BAR OF TEXAS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Texas Law Center – Stewart Morris Board Room
1414 Colorado St.
Austin, TX 78701
Thursday, January 7, 2016 – 10:30am

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1. **Call to Order** Allan DuBois
2. **Roll Call** Michelle Hunter
3. **Remarks from the General Public**
(Sign in sheet available)
4. **Action:** Consider approval of Minutes of the September 10, 2015 Executive Committee Meeting Allan DuBois (Encl)
5. **Report from the President** Allan DuBois
 - A. Discussion:**
 - 1) General Report
 - 2) Update on Presidential Initiatives
 - B. Action:** Consider approval of response to resolution by ABA Commission on the Future of Legal Services regarding model regulatory objectives (Encl)
6. **Report from the Chair of the Board** David Chamberlain
Discussion: General Report
7. **Report from the President-elect** Frank Stevenson
 - A. Discussion:** General Report
 - B. Budget Committee** (Encl)
Action: Consider, discuss and approve –

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1) SBOT 2016-17 proposed budget for publication in Texas Bar Journal

8. **Report from the Immediate Past President**

Trey Apffel

Discussion: General Report

9. **Administration Committee**

Andy Kerr

Discussion: General Report

A. Employment/Salary/Evaluation Subcommittee

1) **Discussion:** Update on affiliated entity, Texas Legal

Pat Maher

2) **Action:** Consider approval of changes to Texas Legal bylaws and certificate of formation

Andy Kerr

(Encl)

10. **Audit & Finance Committee**

Brent Benoit

(Encl)

Discussion:

1) Financial Reports & General Review of Financial Statements

2) Financial Audit for FY ending May 31, 2015

3) Internal Audit for FY ending May 31, 2015

11. **Executive Committee**

Discussion: Nominations & Elections, Policy Manual Subcommittee, Ad Hoc Committee to Select Minority Directors

A. Nominations & Elections Subcommittee

Trey Apffel/Roger Key

1) **Discussion:** General Report

2) **Action:** Consider approval of candidates for 2016-2017 SBOT President-elect:

(Encl)

(Michael Smith, Marshall)

(Tom Vick, Weatherford)

12. **Discipline & Client Attorney Assistance Committee**

Frank Carroll

Discussion: DCAAP and Client Security Fund Subcommittees

13. **Member Services & Education Committee**

Susan Nelson

Discussion: Appeals-Grant Review, New Directors

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Orientation, Professional Development, Insurance/Member Benefits, and Technology Oversight Subcommittees

- 14. **Public Services & Education Committee** Ford Sasser
Discussion: Affordable Legal Services and Legislative Policy Subcommittees
- 15. **Section Representative to the Board Committee** Alison Colvin
Discussion: General Report
- 16. **Discussion:** Supreme Court Liaison Justice Phil Johnson
- 17. **Discussion:** TYLA Update Barrett Thomas
- 18. **Discussion:** Report from the Executive Director Michelle Hunter
- 19. **Discussion:** Report from the Legal Counsel John Sirman

A. Closed Session as authorized by Texas Government Code, sections 551.071 and 551.074 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel concerning contemplated litigation related to MCLE Committee decision, and to deliberate concerning personnel matter(s)

B. End of Closed Session/Return to Open Session

20. **Adjournment**

If during the course of the meeting covered by this notice the board should determine that a closed or executive session of the board should be held or is required in relation to an item noticed in this meeting notice, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Open Meetings Act will be held by the board at the 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 or executive meeting or session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071-551.084 of the Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to:

Section 551.071 – For the purpose of a private consultation with the board’s attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized by law.

Section 551.072 – For the purpose of deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

Section 551.074 – For the purpose of deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

The board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda. Agenda items may be taken out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the board and/or to aid in the effectiveness of the meeting.

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Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the board with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either:

- a. the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of this public meeting, or
- b. at a subsequent public meeting of the board upon notice thereof, as the board shall determine.

[* Comments from the public may be taken throughout the Board meeting.]

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