

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
STATE BAR OF TEXAS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JW Marriott- Lone Star Ballroom D
110 E. 2nd Street
Austin, TX 78701
Thursday, June 13, 2019 – 9:00am**

The Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas met in a regular session on June 13, 2019, at the JW Marriott in Austin. Outgoing Chair of the Board Laura Gibson called the meeting to order at 9:0 a.m., and Executive Director Trey Apffel called the roll. A quorum of voting Board members was present. Jarrod Foerster led the invocation and Victor Flores led the pledges to the U.S. and Texas flags.

Present:

Board Members: Chair Jerry Alexander, Jeff Allison, Andres Almanzan, Kate Bihm, Rebekah Brooker, Luis Cardenas, Alison Colvin, Derek Cook, Rob Crain, Christina Davis, Alistair Dawson, Leslie Dippel, Michael Dokupil, TYA President Victor Flores, Jarrod Foerster, Immediate Past Chair Laura Gibson*, Charlie Ginn, Shari Goldsberry, August Harris, TYLA President-elect Britney Harrison, Wendy-Adele Humphrey, Michael Hurst, Neil Kelly, David Kent, Immediate Past President Joe K. Longley, Aldo Lopez, Yolanda Cortes Mares, President-elect Larry McDougal, Bob McKnight, Steve Naylor, Amie Peace, TYLA Immediate Past President Sally Pretorius, Carmen Roe, Adam Schramek, David Sergi, Alan Sims, Dinesh Singhal, Jason Smith, President Randy Sorrels, Diane St. Yves, Santos Vargas, Michael Vasquez, Nicole Voyles, Amy Welborn, James Wester and James Woo.

Liaisons*: Justice Debra Lehrmann, Judge Bert Richardson, and Judge Xavier Rodriguez

Section Representatives*: Deborah Cordova, Judge Elizabeth Copeland, Shelby Jean, Matthew Kolodoski, Emily Miller and Kathryn Murphy

Excused Absences: Judge Randy Clapp*, *Marc Gravely, Judge Linda Thomas**

(* = nonvoting)

A. Presentations and Swearing-In of New Officers and Directors: Outgoing Chair of the Board Laura Gibson thanked Trey Apffel, the Board, and all SBOT staff for all the work that they have done over the past year. Justice Debra Lehrmann administered the oath of office to incoming Chair Jerry Alexander. Chair Alexander discussed the Board committees and Section/Standing Committee liaison assignments. Outgoing Chair Gibson then presented incoming Chair Alexander with the chair's gavel.

Justice Lehrmann then administered the oath of office to incoming President-elect Larry McDougal, and Mr. McDougal made brief remarks. Chair Alexander called all the incoming directors, liaisons, and section representatives of the board to come forward, and Justice Lehrmann administered the oath of office *en masse*.

Chair Alexander thanked outgoing President Joe K. Longley for the work he has done and his service to the lawyers of Texas over the past year.

B. Presentation to Incoming President: Incoming President Randy Sorrels addressed the board and discussed upcoming initiatives for the board and for State Bar staff.

- C. Texas Access to Justice Commission: Trish McAllister, gave an update on Access to Justice efforts in Texas, sponsorship of the upcoming ATJ Gala, the New Opportunities Volunteer Attorney Pro Bono Program, and ongoing legal aid efforts.
- D. Report from the Executive Director: Executive Director Trey Apffel thanked outgoing President Joe K. Longley for all his service over the past year.
- E. Legal Counsel: John Sirman had no report.
- F. Texas Young Lawyers Association: TYLA Incoming President Victor Flores thanked the Board and staff and reported on various TYLA projects for the upcoming year.

Director Steve Naylor moved for adjournment and Director August Harris seconded. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:44 pm.