

**MARYLAND STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2003
BOAR'S HEAD INN
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA
BALLROOM
2:00 P.M.**

The Board of Governors of the Maryland State Bar Association met at the location, date and time indicated above. Present at the meeting were 26 Board members, including all of the officers, as well as many of the incoming 2003/2005 Board members. In addition, Paul Carlin, Executive Director, and key members of his staff were in attendance.

President James P. Nolan called the meeting to order at, approximately, 2:20 p.m.

The minutes of the Board of Governors meeting of April 22, 2003 were read and approved.

1. a. Jim Nolan, several officers and Paul Carlin reported on ABA Days in Washington, D.C. A Dear Colleagues letter regarding Legal Services was provided in the attachments.
 - b. A report on a selection of 3 Delegates to the ABA House of Delegates was given. Elected were:
 - i. Neil Helfrich
 - ii. Brian Zemil (Young Lawyers representative)
 - iii. Tracey Skinner
 - c. A report on selection of the Anselm Sodaro Award recipient was given by Dena C. Feeney and Robert B. Kershaw. The Honorable Daniel M. Long, Somerset County received the nomination and approval.
 - d. A report on Presidential Best Section Projects Awards was given by The Honorable Theresa Beck, Jeffrey A. Krew and John Kudel. For benefits to the public, the award went to the Administrative Law Section. For benefit to members, the award went to the Elder Law Section.
 - c. An update and handout was provided regarding the *Amicus Curiae* brief to the Maryland Court of Appeals.
2. Report of the Executive Director –
 - a. There were zero (0) resignations, one (1) dropped member, eight (8) new members, thirty-one (31) reinstatements. Presently there are 20,098 members of the MSBA.
 - b. The report on the 2003 Annual Meeting is out and on line.
 - c. A report was given on miscellaneous matters, including the Dolan legal directories
3. The Secretary of the Association, Neil Helfrich, provided a brief report on the Executive Committee Meeting of May 9, 2003.

4. The Treasurer, Michael Conroy, provided a review of the financial statement as of April 30, 2003, including dues income of \$2,337,506.11 and total income of \$3,286,317.47. Total expenses were \$2,621,281.11 and unexpended revenue of \$665,036.36 remained.
5. A report by President-Elect, Harry Johnson, was given thanking the Executive Committee members, full board and the MSBA staff for all of their hard work.
6. Reports of the Standing Committees.
 - a. A presentation and request for approval of 2003-04 Association budget was given by Charles B. Keenan, Jr., Chair, Budget & Finance Committee. The budget was approved. An amendment was, also, approved for a \$2000 expenditure for the National Association of Women Judges for marketing of the MSBA.
 - b. Suzanne Snedegar and William R. Levasseur, co-chairs of the Planning Committee provided a thorough report which was approved by the Board with deletions.
7. New Business.
 - a. A report on the progress of Pro Bono reporting was given by Sharon E. Goldsmith, Executive Director of the Pro Bono Resource Center.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Governors, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m., approximately.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Conroy
Assistant Secretary