

**NAVAJO NATION BAR ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF BAR COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

Monday, October 17, 2016, 4:00 PM (Navajo Nation time/DST)
Via Teleconference

Minutes

I. Meeting called to Order by President Lawrence Ruzow @ 4:27 p.m.

II. Roll Call Commissioners:

Mariana Kahn, CH	Present
Cassie Fleming, CR	Present
Dorothea Denetsosie, KY	Absent
Patricia Williams, ART	Proxy to Colin Bradley.
Esther Keeswood, SR	Absent
Cecelia Sloan, TC	Present
Dennis Glanzer, TC	Present
Colin Bradley, WR	Present
Michelle Dotson, WR	Absent
Phefelia Bradley, WR	Absent

QUORUM (at beginning of meeting) – (6 required): 5 present
+ 1 proxy = 6 Commissioners attending.

Officers:

Lawrence Ruzow, NNBA President--Present
Casey Watchman, Vice President--Absent
David Jordan, Secretary--Present
Michael Barthelemy, Treasurer--Present

NNBA Adm. Staff:

LaVerne Johnson, NNBA Manager--Absent

III. Adoption of Agenda for Board Meeting: []Regular; [X]Special; [Annual

Dennis Glanzer moves to adopt the agenda; Cassie Fleming Seconds; Unanimous approval.

IV. Old Business

A. Review of Financial Reports

[Carried over from meeting dated October 7, 2016]. Mr. Barthelemy forwarded financial reports to members prior to the meeting.

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- a. There has been an invitation to share information through a secure portal. This needs to be set up.
- b. We are moving the account information over to the new officers. Signature cards are being signed for the bank.
- c. There is an issue of late rental payments. For budget projections, the budget vs. actual comparison in August 2016, shows net income of \$21,882. This is not quite right because we paid some rent for 2014. For 2016, we show only \$2,448 in net income. We paid four quarters of rent in 2016 for 2015. Actual net income more in the range of \$10,100.
- d. Figures were updated for the most recent conference, total revenues of \$55,513, expenses of \$34,335, showing a net revenue of \$21,174. We previously reported around \$24,000 in net revenue.
- e. We are seeking a New Mexicanon-taxable transaction certificate. We will not incur gross receipts taxes with this certificate on our purchases.

Motion to approve report made by Cassie Fleming. Seconded by Dennis Glanzer. Unanimous approval.

Michael Barthelemy left.

B. Approval of Bar Exam Results

[Carried over from meeting dated October 7, 2016]

Documents were sent to Commissioners prior to the meeting showing who was qualified to be admitted to the NNBA. The following are certified by the Admissions Committee as qualified.

1. Barnes, Naomi Julia - Kutak Rock, LLP, Santa Fe, New Mexico
2. Bitsuie, Brandon Kee - Navajo Nation Department of Justice, Window Rock, Arizona
3. Felix, Rachel Rose - Sacks Tierney P.A., Scottsdale, Arizona
4. Hoechst, Heather A. - DNA-People's Legal Services, Inc., Shiprock, New Mexico
5. Kafka, Jacqueline Kate - Sutin, Thayer and Browne, Albuquerque, New Mexico
6. Lord, Gussie Ann - Jill Grant & Associates, LLC, Washington DC 20004
7. Nucci, Benjamin Anthony - Snell & Wilmer L.L.P., Phoenix, Arizona
8. Schaaf-Olson, Kristyne Marie - Murphy, Schmitt, Hathaway & Wilson, PLLC, Prescott, Arizona
9. Tuni, Rhonda L. - NN Office of Legislative Counsel, Window Rock, AZ
10. Velasquez, Chase Andrew - Navajo Nation Department of Justice, Window Rock, Arizona
11. Werner, Jana Cecilia - Navajo Nation Dept. of Justice, Window Rock, AZ

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Colin Bradley moves to approve the report and to forward the names to the Supreme Court for admission. Dennis Glanzer seconds. Unanimous approval.

C. Disciplinary Appeals— Disciplinary Appeal Panel

[Carried over from meeting dated October 7, 2016].

One more person is needed to sit on this panel. Ms. Kahn has volunteered to serve. Ms. Sloan said she would serve as an alternate. Phefelia Bradley is appointed to serve on the committee.

V. Next Regular Commissioners' Meeting Date:

Day: Friday; Month: January 13, 2017 at 10:00AM – 3:00 P.M.

VI. Adjournment @ 4:50 pm

Motion to Adjourn Mariana Kahn; Second Cecelia Sloan; Unanimous Approval.