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THE WEST VIRGINIA BAR FOUNDATION, INC.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
STATE BAR CENTER - CHARLESTON  
APRIL 14, 1999

MINUTES

The meeting of the West Virginia Bar Foundation's Board of Directors was called to order by President Nick Casey on April 14, 1999 at the State Bar Center in Charleston.

Members of the Board of Directors in attendance were Mote Thompson and Mike Chaney. Participating by telephone conference call were Jim Companion and Cheryl Henderson. State Bar Executive Director Tom Tinder was also present.

The first item on the Agenda was a review of the Minutes of the last Board of Directors Meeting which had been held on March 23, 1999. There were no additions or corrections to be made to the Minutes as presented.

President Casey called upon Mr. Chaney to give a report from the IOLTA Advisory Committee. He said that the Committee had met on March 31, 1999 and recommended the following action be taken. There is currently \$537,000 available for distribution, but \$267,000 has already been set aside for \$200,000 for the Rainy Day Fund, \$5,000 for computer work, \$40,000 for the annual management fee and \$25,000 for the special grantees. Therefore, it was agreed to make the amount of \$257,000 available by setting aside an additional \$65,000 for special grantees (for a total of \$90,000), \$2,000 as matching funds for the Legal Services Corporation state planning grant and distributing the amount of \$200,000 to the four Legal Services Programs. A motion was duly made, seconded and passed to approve this recommendation from the IOLTA Advisory Committee.

The next item on the Agenda related to the Citizen and Lawyer of the Year Awards. After some discussion, it was agreed that Catherine Munster of Clarksburg would be the Lawyer of the Year and Debra Sullivan of Charleston would be the Citizen of the Year. The awards will be given at the

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State Bar's Bench/Bar Luncheon on April 30, 1999 in Morgantown.

President Casey then led an extensive discussion concerning the Foundation Fellows Program. It was agreed that a memorandum would be sent to the Board of Directors Members reminding them of the \$200 sponsorship fee which had been agreed upon at a previous Board of Directors Meeting. Mr. Tinder stated that there were 20 persons who had agreed in the first class of Foundation Fellows. The Foundation Fellows Dinner will be held on May 13, 1999 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Charleston. The necessary information concerning the dinner has been sent to all State Bar members, the 20 awardees, the members of the Judiciary in the state and the Bar Foundation Board of Directors members.

The Board members then talked about the renovation of the State Bar Center. The three projects will be started this month and will take approximately three weeks to complete. The total cost is \$48,000.

President Casey announced that the Annual Business Meeting of the Bar Foundation will be held on April 30, 1999 at 5:00 p.m. at Lakeview Resort in Morgantown.

President Casey then announced that the next meeting of the Board of Directors would be held on June 16, 1999 at 12:00 noon at the State Bar Center in Charleston.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned.