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The GUAM BAR ASSOCIATION, Board of Governors Regular Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 16, 2008 at 12:00 p.m., at the Guam Bar Office located at the second floor, Judiciary Building, Hagatna, Guam.

PERSONS ATTENDING. President Rawlen Mantanona called the meeting to order. Board members present included Cynthia V. Ecube, Vice President; John Terlaje, Secretary; Hank Parker, Member-at-Large. Bruce Bradley, Executive Director, was also present. Rodney Jacob, Past President; Phillip Torres, Treasurer; and Maria Cenzone-Duenas, Member-at-Large, were not present.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Renewal of GBA List Serve Contract.** Discussion regarding renewal of GBA's contract with its website and list serve provider as the contract is up for renewal. Upon approved motion the Board requested the ED to obtain several quotes for managing and maintaining the GBA website and list serve provider. The matter was tabled for the next meeting pending further information on quotes from other potential providers.

2. **Past Due Payment of Bar Dues and Removal from the Roll.** The ED reported that the required notices have been sent out to members who have not paid their 2008 Annual Dues and submitted their registration forms. ED is currently auditing past years to determine the status of previous recommendations that GBA members be removed from the rolls.

3. **CLE Events.** The President announced that GBA will be co-sponsoring the upcoming CLE together with the District Court of Guam to be held on October 9th & 10th at the Hilton Guam Resort & Spa. More details will be announced at a later date. The ED reported that Judge Barrett-Anderson's Domestic Violence Protective Order CLE workshop held on June 6, 2008 was successful and well attended. Judge Barrett-Anderson indicated that she would like to conduct the same workshop again later this year, possibly in November. More details will be announced at a later date. The Bar and Board of Governors wants to thank Judge Barrett-Anderson for her contribution in presenting the Domestic Violence Protective Order workshop.

4. **Renewal of ALPS Insurance.** The ED reported that the ALPS insurance was renewed for the period of July 2008 to July 2009.

5. **Ethics Committee:** The President advised the Board that Ethics Committee has requested that the Board formally approve a set hourly rate for conflicts counsel. Upon further discussion, the Board approved the hourly rate of \$180.00 per hour for active GBA members acting as ethics conflicts counsel.

6. **CLE Events Reimbursement of Proceeds of Law Week.** The President reported that an accounting will soon be provided to the Board from the Law Week Chairperson, Rod Jacob. This matter was tabled until the next meeting upon further information from the Chairman.

7. **Survey Results for Judicial Nominee.** All survey responses from members were submitted to the GBA on June 30, 2008 regarding Judicial nominee, Vernon Perez, as Judge for the Superior Court of

Guam. All survey responses received by the GBA were transmitted to the Legislative Liaison Committee Chair, Ike Aguiqui, for review. The results of survey shall be released shortly.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of Proceeds to Law Library. The ED reported that early in 2007 the GBA provided \$5 from each active members' dues to the Law Library pursuant to Supreme Court of Guam Rule. Upon discussion made, the board approved payment of \$5.00 per active member to the Law Library for the current year which amount shall remain the same in future years unless changed by the Board.

2. Resolution to Update Authorized Individuals to Obtain Banking Information at BankPacific regarding any and all GBA accounts at that financial institution. Motion approved that the following individuals – and only these individuals -- are authorized to obtain any and all GBA banking information at BankPacific regarding any and all GBA accounts and that this authorization shall continue until amended by the Board:

Rawlen Mantanona, President
Phil Tydingco, Treasurer
Bruce Bradley, Executive Director
Erika Scherer, Assistant to Executive Director

3. Proposed Interim Rule for Procedures Before the GBA Ethics Committee. Committee on Ethics has recommended submission of a proposed Interim Rule regarding how matters shall be handled before the Ethics Committee. Upon discussion made, the Board approved the proposed interim rule for list serve to all GBA members seeking comments. All members are encouraged to submit comments to the proposed interim rule. The deadline for comments will be Friday, August 15, 2008.

Without further business, the President adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:00 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:



JOHN TERLAJE
SECRETARY OF THE MEETING