

**MINUTES OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES
OF THE LOUISIANA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
June 8, 2006**

The House of Delegates was convened at 10:40 a.m. on Thursday, June 8, 2006, in the Baytowne Conference Center at the Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort in Sandestin, Florida.

I. Certification of Quorum by the Secretary.

After reviewing the delegate check-in roster, Secretary E. Wade Shows determined that a quorum was present. A copy of the attendance roster is attached as an addendum to these Minutes. President Frank X. Neuner, Jr. declared the meeting to be in session.

II. Recognition of Deceased Members of the House of Delegates.

President Neuner requested a moment of silence in memory of Lloyd F. Love from the Seventh Judicial District.

III. Report of Standing Committees of the House of Delegates.

No oral reports were given; all reports that were in writing were submitted.

IV. Reports of the Officers, Board of Governors, Standing Committees and Sections of the Louisiana State Bar Association.*

1. Bar Governance Committee – Larry Feldman, Jr., Chair
Mr. Feldman informed the House that the Bar Governance Committee was undertaking a review of the current structure of the House of Delegates and would submit in January 2007 a resolution with recommendations regarding restructuring the House.

V. Reports of the Special Committees of the Louisiana State Bar Association.

No oral reports were given; all reports that were in writing were submitted.

VI. Old Business.

There was no Old Business to be considered.

VII. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of the January 21, 2006 Meeting of the House of Delegates.

The following motion was made:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the January 21, 2006 meeting of the House of Delegates are approved.”

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

VIII. New Business.

1. Election of a member from the House of Delegates to serve on the Budget Committee.

The following motion was made by James R. McClelland:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Daniel A. Cavell of the 17th Judicial District serve as a member from the House of Delegates to serve on the Budget Committee.”

The motion was seconded and Mr. Cavell was elected by acclamation.

2. Election of three (3) members of the House of Delegates to the Special Advisory Committee to Authorize the President to Speak on Behalf of the Association. This committee was created by a resolution adopted by the House on November 13, 1971. The committee is composed of the president, president-elect, secretary, chair of the Public Information Committee, and three (3) members designated from the membership of the House of Delegates by the House of Delegates.

The following motion was made by Jack C. Benjamin, Jr.:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Walter I. Willard of Orleans Parish serve as a member of the Special Advisory Committee to Authorize the President to Speak on Behalf of the Association.”

The motion was seconded.

The following motion was made by Walter I. Willard:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Jack C. Benjamin, Jr. of Orleans Parish serve as a member of the Special Advisory Committee to Authorize the President to Speak on Behalf of the Association.”

The motion was seconded.

The following motion was made by James S. Farmer:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Adrienne L. Baumgartner of the 22nd Judicial District serve as a member of the Special Advisory Committee to Authorize the President to Speak on Behalf of the Association.”

The motion was seconded. There being no further nominations, Walter I Willard and Jack C. Benjamin, Jr. of Orleans Parish and Adrienne L. Baumgartner of the 22nd Judicial District were declared elected as members of the Special Advisory Committee to Authorize the President to Speak on Behalf of the Association.

3. Resolution from Bar Governance Committee to amend Article IV, Section 3 and 4 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Louisiana State Bar Association creating In-House Counsel membership category.

The following motion was made by Larry Feldman, Jr.:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the resolution from Bar Governance Committee to amend Article IV, Sections 3 and 4 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Louisiana State Bar Association creating In-House Counsel membership category, a copy of which is attached, be adopted.”

The motion was seconded and adopted unanimously.

4. Resolution from Rules of Professional Conduct Committee to adopt special rules of procedure for debate of resolution proposing changes to the Rules of Professional Conduct.

The following motion was made by Sam N. Gregorio:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the resolution from Rules of Professional Conduct Committee to adopt special rules of procedure for debate of resolution proposing changes to the Rules of Professional Conduct, a copy of which is attached, be adopted.”

The motion was seconded and adopted unanimously.

5. **Resolution from Committee on Diversity in the Profession recommending the LSBA House of Delegates and Board of Governors co-sponsor the American Bar Association Presidential Advisory Council on Diversity Profession Resolutions and that the LSBA President be authorized to sign all documents reflecting the support of the foresaid resolutions.**

The following motion was made by Wayne J. Lee:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the resolution from Committee on Diversity in the Profession recommending the LSBA House of Delegates and Board of Governors co-sponsor the American Bar Association Presidential Advisory Council on Diversity Profession Resolutions and that the LSBA President be authorized to sign all documents reflecting the support of the foresaid resolutions, a copy of which is attached, be adopted.”

The motion was seconded and adopted unanimously.

6. **Resolution from Robert M. Marrionneaux, Jr., Delegate, 19th Judicial District, creating a Standing Committee on Attorney Advertising and to specifically provide for its members, their appointment, terms and duties.**

The resolution received no motion to approve.

7. **Resolution from Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization creating an area of specialization and certification for those attorneys practicing in the fields of Professional Liability Law, to include medical, legal and accounting liability law.**

The following motion was made by Kathy L. Torregano:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the resolution from Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization creating an area of specialization and certification for those attorneys practicing in the fields of Professional Liability Law, to include medical, legal and accounting liability law, a copy of which is attached, be adopted.”

The motion was seconded. Following discussion, Elizabeth A. Alston made the following motion:

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“BE IT RESOLVED, that the resolution from Louisiana Board of Legal Specialization creating an area of specialization and certification for those attorneys practicing in the fields of Professional Liability Law, to include medical, legal and accounting liability law, a copy of which is attached, be tabled.”

The motion to table was seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 74 in favor and 40 against.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

E. Wade Shows
Secretary

Date