

**Board Committee on Operations
Accomplishments
2008/2009 Board Year**

During this Board year, the Board Committee on Operations considered and acted upon issues as follows:

Governance Related Issues:

Reviewed and discussed the Committee's responsibilities and processes.

Referred agenda items to Board Committees.

Received a report from the Board Member group studying the possible creation of a President-Elect position, which contained the conclusion that the Bar should continue the current structure, which provides for flexibility, depending on the needs of the Board.

Received a report from the Board Member group studying the number of Board meetings, which contained the conclusion that the Bar should continue with the current number of meetings because there is significant cost savings in doing so, and that an expanded business meeting during the Annual Planning Meeting would address some of the concerns.

Considered and recommended to the Board, adoption of the revisions to the Open Meetings Closed Sessions and Records of the Regulatory and Special Committees Rules, which clarified the rules and conformed them to the Board of Governors Meeting and Records Rules and the Rules Revision format.

Claims and Litigation Related Issues:

Considered and made recommendations to the Board on several claims.

Considered and made recommendations to the Board on proposed settlements.

Received reports and advice regarding litigation and potential litigation in various matters and where appropriate, recommended action.

Personnel and Labor Related Issues:

Received a report on the history of the Union at the State Bar and the process for labor negotiations.

Considered and recommended to the Board, adoption of the revisions to the Conflict of Interest Code for Designated Employees 2009 re year 2008.

Considered and recommended to the Board to adoption of conforming amendments to Confidential Employee Rules.

Considered and recommended to the Board, approval of the streamlined procedures for the Executive Director evaluation, that the reviewing committee be chaired by the President and that any procedures that are inconsistent with these procedures be suspended until further Board action.

Considered and recommended to the Board, the Chief Trial Counsel reappointment process, that the Chair of the reviewing committee be chaired by the Chair of RAD and that any procedures that are inconsistent with these procedures be suspended until further Board action. RAD also presented a resolution which was combined with this at Board level.

Considered and recommended that the Board adopt the Executive Director performance evaluation summary for 2008-2009 as the annual evaluation.

Considered and disapproved a proposal regarding the MOU.

Received reports and considered and made recommendations to the Board regarding MOU negotiation proposals.

Confirmed the authority to Robert Hawley to negotiate the labor contract.

Reconfirmed the authority given to Robert Hawley regarding the negotiations.

Programmatic Issues:

Received reports and advice regarding the Real Property embezzlement investigation.

Considered amendments to the Interest on Trust Accounts (IOLTA) Rules and asked for the agenda item to be reworked and brought back to the Board at the next meeting.

Considered and tabled to a future meeting, amendments to Title 7, JNE Rules, so that more information could be provided, and after which, the Committee authorized the release for public comment.

Considered and recommended to the Board, amendments to State Bar Rule 6.9, regarding the Election of the CYLA Board Member, to reflect the new governance structure of CYLA and which requires that the appointed CYLA governing body, elect the CYLA representative to the Board of Governors.

Received advice, considered issues and held discussions regarding the 2009 Annual Meeting.

Received reports regarding the Internal Affairs Audit and directed that copies be provided to staff to present a report on the recommendations at the July Audit Committee meeting.

Received advice regarding the Find a Lawyer proposal.

Actions on Behalf of the Board Between Meetings:

Acting on behalf of the Board between meetings, considered and acted upon several claims.

Acting on behalf of the Board between meetings, considered and acted upon proposed settlement offers.

Acting on behalf of the Board between meetings, considered and authorized the filing of a request by the Chief Trial Counsel for Amicus participation.

Acting on behalf of the Board between meetings, considered and provided guidance to staff regarding the Department of Justice investigation of the Real Property embezzlement.

Acting on behalf of the Board between meetings, considered and directed staff regarding the Real Property embezzlement civil litigation.

Acting on behalf of the Board between meetings, considered and approved support of proposed legislative bills regarding loan modification abuse.

At this meeting, the Committee will:

Consider and make a recommendation to the Board regarding amendments to Title 7, JNE Rules, that have returned to the Board following public comment.

Discuss Title 6, Board of Governors Election Rules.

Consider and make a recommendation to the Board regarding a temporary amendment to Executive Staff Rules regarding vacation cash out.

Consider and make recommendations to the Board regarding claims, a threat to sue and a complaint.

Receive a report of the labor negotiations and consider a potential recommendation to the Board regarding the MOU.