

**ALABAMA STATE BAR
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

**Alabama State Bar
415 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104**

Thursday, January 4, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

President Brannon Buck convened the meeting of the Alabama State Bar Executive Council at 1:34 p.m. at the Alabama State Bar building at 415 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary took the roll of the members, and the following were present:

Brannon Buck (President)
Felicia Long (Vice President)
Tom Perry (President-Elect)
Raymond Bell
Josh Hayes
John Smyth
Mark Boardman (Parliamentarian)
Gibson Vance (Past President)
Terri Lovell (Executive Director)

The following members were absent:

Chris Driver (YLS President)
Sam Ford (ALA President)

QUORUM PRESENT

The following staff members were present:

Chad Coker (Director of Operations)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR JANUARY 4, 2024, JOSH HAYES, SECONDED BY TOM PERRY, AND APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2023

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2023, EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MADE BY RAYMOND BELL, SECONDED BY JOSH HAYES, APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Buck shared information with the Executive Council regarding the Bar Leadership Summit scheduled for January 17-18, 2024. He called on Felicia Long to provide a summary of Women's Section 25th Anniversary Celebration activities planned in conjunction with the Bar Leadership Summit and the Judicial Conference on January 17-18, 2024. President Buck shared about recent committee work, the reboot of inactive sections, the appointment of two task forces to evaluate the establishment of two new sections. He asked Chad Coker to provide information on the bar card concerns.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Terri Lovell indicated the database modernization project is progressing and nearing phase one completion. She shared that phase two will include API access for the courts providing real-time member data for the trial courts and the appellate courts. She also reported the OGC case management program is over 60% complete. Lovell indicated the Board of Bar Examiners have a meeting scheduled for January 9, 2024, and that Admissions Director Karen Laneaux has been working on gathering information related to the NextGen concerns raised by the Supreme Court. Lovell shared the quarterly reporting for committees, task forces, and department heads are due on January 15, 2024, at which time the Strategic Plan Action Matrix will be updated and provided to the EC. Lastly, she gave a department report and indicated the year finished strong and that she anticipates a great 2024 for the ASB team.

GENERAL COUNSELS REPORT

General Counsel Roman Shaul was unable to participate due to illness.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL REPORTS


Felicia Long reported on the upcoming launch of the *Justice for All* test website and the work of the committee. John Smyth reported on the *Alabama Lawyer* Review Task Force. Brannon Buck reported on the Legal Specialization Task Force and indicated a report would be provided to the BBC at the January 19, 2024, board meeting.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 19, 2024, BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MOTION TO APPROVE JANUARY 19, 2024, BOARD OF BAR COMMISSION AGENDA MADE BY JOHN SMYTH, SECONDED BY FELICIA LONG, AND APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE.

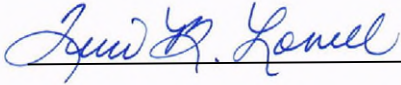
ADJOURNMENT

President Buck thanked the members for their attendance and there being no further business before the Executive Council, the meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.



Brannon J. Buck, President
Alabama State Bar Foundation

ATTEST:



Terri B. Lovell, Secretary
Alabama State Bar