MINUTES

ALABAMA STATE BAR
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Renaissance Birmingham Ross Bridge Resort
4000 Grand Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama 35226

Friday, September 5, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

President Fred Helmsing convened this meeting of the Alabama State Bar Board of Trustees at 11:05 a.m. in the ballroom of the Renaissance Ross Bridge.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary took the roll of the Board of Trustees and the following trustees were present:

Conrad Anderson
Pratt Austin-Trucks
Edgar Black
Mark Boardman
Sallie Bowers
Jeff Bowling
Randy Bozeman
Christen Butler
Devan Byrd
Clay Carr
Matthew Carter
Hunter Compton
Joel Connally
Lisa Cooper
Mark Debro
Lang Floyd
Lisha Graham
Leon Hampton
Josh Hayes
Fred Helmsing
Scott Holmes
Ralph Holt
Kesa Johnston
Angela Kennedy
Lee Knowles
David Langston
Will Lee
Felicia Long
Bob McMillan
Wallace Mills
Leslie Moore
Tamara Neeley
Steve Nicholas
George Parker
Tom Perry
Gregory Price
John Rea
Robert Richardson
Brandy Robertson
Ryan Robichaux
Freddy Rubio
Pat Sefton
Sebie Sellers
Julius Shanks
Mitch Shelly
Jeff Sherrer
Elizabeth Smithart
John Stamps
Stephen Still
Jimbo Terrell
Jerome Thompson
Al Vance
Leila Watson
Suntrease Williams-Maynard
Robin Wolfe

The following trustees were absent:

Raymond Bell
Will Broome
Kitty Brown
Brad Cornett
Kelly Davidson
Deborah Dunsmore
Kirk Garrett
David Holt
Carmen Howell
Mitch Kemmer
Edwin Lamberth
Jorja Loftin
Doug Martinson
Andrew Nix
Evan Parrott
Manish Patel
Ashley Peinhardt
Lynn Perry
Bobby Poundstone
Chrissy Riddle
Steven Savarese
Holly Sawyer
Tyler Sims
Doug Smith
Kyra Sparks
Ron Strawbridge
Jeff Utsey
Artie Vaughn

QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 16, 2025, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

President Fred Helmsing stated that the agenda for September 5, 2025, meeting and the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting from July 16, 2025, had been transcribed and circulated prior to the meeting. He asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. There were none.

COMMISSIONER PRATT AUSTIN-TRUCKS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 5, 2025, AND THE MINUTES OF JULY 16, 2025, SECONDED BY EDGAR BLACK, AND APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director Merinda Hall proposed the FY2026 ASB Foundation budget at $1.139 million. A summary of significant changes in the budget included allocations for new laptops for all ASB personnel and an update of the ASB website. Hall noted the IT Manager's salary will be divided between the ASB and ASB Foundation budgets to offset the new computers and website upgrade costs. Total expenses are also budgeted to surpass budgeted revenues by the amount required to finalize the HVAC replacement project. Any excess amounts beyond revenues will be financed through investment reserves.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REPORT AND THE ASBF FY2026 BUDGET MADE BY PRATT AUSTIN-TRUCKS, SECONDED BY LISA COOPER, AND APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

ADJOURNMENT

President Fred Helmsing asked if there was any further business to come before the Board of Trustees. There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Frederick G. Helmsing, Jr., President
Alabama State Bar Foundation, 2025-2026

ATTEST:

Terri B. Lovell, Secretary
Alabama State Bar Foundation