

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF THE VIRGINIA STATE BAR
CONSTRUCTION LAW AND
PUBLIC CONTRACT SECTION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

November 4, 2005 at 7:00 a.m.
Boar's Head, Charlottesville, Virginia

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mauck called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. In addition to Mr. Mauck, Messrs Barkley, Devan, Hearn, Howley, Marston, Metz, Pritts, Rephan, Rosser, St. Ours and Smith and Ms. Burch and Jordan were present.

II. MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2005 MEETING

The Minutes of the September 22, 2005 Meeting held in Richmond, Virginia were unanimously approved.

III. FALL PROGRAM 2005

Ms. Burch reported that a total of 106 people have signed up for the seminar and that all of the speakers will be in attendance. Also, she was pleased to report that there were an adequate number of sponsors to cover the annual cocktail party.

IV. SPRING PROGRAM 2006

Ms. Burch reported that a possible topic might be mechanic's liens and the impact of a bankruptcy proceeding. Discussions have been ongoing with the bankruptcy section concerning its participation in the program.

V. NEWSLETTER

Messrs Pritts and Metz reported that the fall issue of the newsletter is out. They will need cases of interest and other material for the next edition of the newsletter.

VI. HANDBOOK

As previously reported, the discs have been mailed out and an update will be issued next spring or early summer. A brief discussion took place concerning the suggestion that

a questionnaire be distributed at the fall meetings so the attendees could express their own views on the importance of usefulness of the CD.

VII. PUBLICATIONS

As previously announced, the October, 2006 issue of The Virginia Lawyer will be devoted to construction law matters. The Board was reminded of the need for four articles at 2500 words each with a deadline of August 11, 2006.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Richard Smith presented to the Board a proposal for a discussion as a way to get more people involved in the work of the section. He suggested that five committees be formed and that three board members and four other interested Virginia lawyers agree to serve on each committee. A Board member would chair each committee and they would try to meet either in person or by phone at least three or four times a year. They could meet at the Charlottesville and Virginia Beach meetings and also carry on their businesses by email. The suggested committees are: Program Committee-to be responsible for and plan the annual CLE and the meeting in Virginia Beach; Handbook Committee-to be responsible for the handbook editions; Newsletter Committee-to be responsible for the newsletter; Public Contracts Committee-to review current issues and recent cases related to public contracts in Virginia, identify topics for programs or articles; report on pending or needed legislation, and address other items that come to its attention; Construction Law Committee-to review current issues and recent cases related to construction law in Virginia, identify topics for programs or articles, report on pending or needed legislation and address other items that come to its attention. Following a brief discussion of Mr. Smith's proposal the Board agreed to continue to give the proposal its active consideration and the proposal will be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next board meeting.

IX. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board will be in April, 2006 at a date and time determined by the chairman.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Jack Rephan, Secretary

APPROVED:

William R. Mauck, Jr., Chair