

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE (F&AC)

State Bar of Arizona
4201 N. 24th Street, Suite 100
Phoenix, Arizona 85016

February 19, 2026
10:00 a.m.

Telephonic Meeting

Minutes (Approved (4/16/26))

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

P = present in person; T = present telephonically; A= absent.

A – Chris Russell, Chair

T – David Rosenbaum, Vice Chair

T – Damon Ashcraft

T – Dave Byers

T – John Graham

T – Mignonne Hollis

T – Tom Ryan

T – Cliff Hill (Client Protection Fund Board Liaison/Non-voting F&AC member)

A – Sam Saks (President – Board of Governors)

OTHER ATTENDEES:

State Bar Staff:

T – Joel England

T – Jessica Iennarella

A – Maret Vessella

T – Roberta Tepper

T – Noah Coakley

T – Trish McCarty

T – Tim Eigo

T – Lori Maxwell

T – Jessica Fotinos

T – Deanna Commack

T – Octavius Garrett

Minutes taken by: Octavius Garrett

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Called to Order by: David Rosenbaum

Time: 10:02 a.m.

II. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Individuals addressing the Committee: None

Discussion: None

III. Action/Vote – Approval of Meeting Minutes – 01/22/26

Individual(s) addressing the Committee: David Rosenbaum

Discussion: David R. presented the meeting minutes for January 22, 2026, for review and approval.

Motion/moved by: Tom R. motioned to approve January 22, 2026, meeting minutes as presented.

Seconded by: Mignonne H.

Motion: Passed unanimously

IV. Action/Vote – 2025 Annual Surplus – Reserve Account Allocation & Timing

Individual(s) addressing the Committee: Joel England, Jessica Iennarella

Discussion: Jessica I. presented the anticipated 2025 annual surplus with the final 2025 capital reserve funding needs, and the recommended allocation of remaining funds. Joel E. provided insight regarding recommended allocation of remaining funds.

Motion/moved by: Tom R. motioned to recommend funding the capital reserve as the net between depreciation expense and actual capital funding for 2025, with the remaining 2025 surplus to be allocated 86% to the annual fees reserve and 14% to the opportunity reserve. Funds to be invested as soon as final 2025 financial information is available.

Seconded by: Damon A.

Motion: Passed unanimously

V. Information – Vanguard Investment Performance Update

Individual(s) addressing the Committee: Jessica Iennarella

Discussion: Jessica I. provided an update on the current reserve investment balances and recent performance, including current outlook as of the end of January 2026.

VI. Information – State Bar of Arizona Financial Update

Individual(s) addressing the Committee: Jessica Iennarella

Discussion: Jessica I. provided an update regarding significant financial activities through December 2025, including anticipated surplus and outstanding items that may impact the surplus. Update given regarding production timeline of final 2025 and first quarter 2026 financial statements. Jessica also provided an update regarding January 2026 annual fees collections.

Meeting adjourned by: David Rosenbaum at 10:25 a.m.