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OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE WYOMING STATE BAR
September 10, 1960

The Regular Annual Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Wyoming State Bar was held in the Gold Room of the Henning Hotel at Casper, Wyoming, on September 10, 1960. The meeting was called to order by President John P. Ilsley. Those present were:

John P. Ilsley, President; Charles M. Crowell, Past President; George P. Sawyer, President-Elect; George J. Millett, Vice-President, and John T. Dixon, Secretary-Treasurer.

Commissioners present were:
Paul D. Godfrey of the First Judicial District; Harry F. Schwartz of the Fourth Judicial District; Paul T. Liamos of the Sixth Judicial District, and Frank P. Hill of the Seventh Judicial District.

Absent were: Robert L. Bates of the Second Judicial District; John Mackay of the Third Judicial District; and Earnest J. Goppert of the Fifth Judicial District. President Ilsley opened discussion with a proposal to change the dates for the 1961 meeting. President Ilsley informed the meeting that he had had several requests to change the meeting date to sometime other than the week immediately following the Labor Day weekend. After full discussion was held it was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the 1961 Annual Meeting of the Wyoming State Bar be held on September 7, 8, and 9 and that the bid of the Fourth Judicial District be accepted and the meeting be held at Sheridan, Wyoming.

President Ilsley then called upon Robert A. Burgess, Casper, Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, who discussed the Activities of the committee during the past year. At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Burgess asked the commissioners to discuss the advisability of continuing Public Relations through the use of television and radio mediums and suggested a further extension of the Public Relations Committee's works by the use of pamphlets. It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the Public Relations Committee be authorized to continue its activities as in the past and that the sum of $250 be allocated to that committee for use during the coming year.

The expenditures of the Corporation Committee in preparation and printing of the Model Corporation Act was then submitted to the Board of Commissioners and it was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the bills be approved and paid as submitted.
Past President Crowell then asked the commissioners and officers their pleasure as to the disposition of the plaque presented to the Wyoming State Bar by the American Bar Association for membership in the American Bar Association. It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the plaque be presented to the Law School at the University of Wyoming.

President Ilsley discussed the appointment of committees for the coming year, informing the meeting that he has taken the liberty of appointing the committees prior to the Annual Meeting so that the committees could meet during the three-day session to formulate plans for the coming year. It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the committees as preappointed by President Ilsley be approved.

President Ilsley then submitted the resignation of Byron Hirst from the Legislative and Law Reform Committee. This resignation was regretfully accepted and Mr. Hirst was highly commended for the work which he has done, not only this, but on other committees in the past. President Ilsley then appointed John W. Pattno, Jr. of Cheyenne, Wyoming, to replace Mr. Hirst on the Legislative and Law Reform Committee. Mr. Charles Holland, Chairman of the Bill of Rights Committee, also submitted his resignation from that committee. Mr. Holland's resignation was regretfully accepted, and he was highly commended for the work which he has done in the past on behalf of the Wyoming State Bar.

President Ilsley announced that he would take the matter under consideration and appoint a Chairman to the Bill of Rights Committee and a member to replace Mr. Holland after a thorough study of the situation.

The matter of a committee to meet with the Supreme Court to study and investigate the post-conviction statutes having been given approval by the membership as a whole, President Ilsley appointed Stanley Hathaway of Torrington, Wyoming, John Callahan of Basin, Wyoming, Phil White of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Daniel P. Svillar, Landar, Wyoming, and Norman B. Gray, Attorney General for the State of Wyoming, to serve on that committee.

President Ilsley also reminded the meeting that the membership as a whole had directed that a committee be appointed to investigate the hourly rate on the closing of real estate transactions and the advisability of raising the probate fee. After full discussion of this matter, Leonard McEwan of Sheridan, Wyoming, William R. Jones of Wheatland, Wyoming and George Apostolos were appointed to this committee.

The membership as a whole, having directed that a committee be appointed to examine the methods of selecting judiciary, President Ilsley appointed James Wilson of Cheyenne, Chairman of Judicial Selection
Committee and also appointed Jack Croft of Lander, Gordon Davis of Laramie, Howell C. McDaniel of Casper and Harry L. Harris of Evanston as members of that committee.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the request of the Continuing Legal Education Committee for an allocation of $1,115 be approved and that the said sum of money be set aside for the use of the Continuing Legal Education Committee. John T. Dixon informed the commissioners that the Junior Bar Association had requested a $50.00 allocation for expenses during the coming year and it was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the Junior Bar Association be allowed this sum of money.

W. J. Wehrli of Casper, Wyoming, was appointed by President Ilsley to the Permanent Rules Committee following of which said appointment a discussion was had concerning the dates for the Biennial Legislative Meeting in Cheyenne. It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that January 13 and 14 be set up as the dates for the Biennial Legislative Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners the meeting was regularly adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Dixon, Secretary-Treasurer