# Legal Services Corporation Meeting of the Board of Directors Open Session

Sunday, April 15, 2012 – Monday, April 16, 2012

#### **DRAFT MINUTES**

Chairman John G. Levi convened an *open session* meeting of the Legal Services Corporation's ("LSC") Board of Directors ("the Board") at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 15, 2012, which recessed and then resumed at 3:55 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2012. The meeting was held at the F. William McCalpin Conference Center, Legal Services Corporation Headquarters, 3333 K Street, NW, Washington, DC 20007.

The following Board members were in attendance on Sunday, April 15, 2012:

John G. Levi, Chairman

Martha L. Minow, Vice Chair

Sharon L. Browne

Robert J. Grey, Jr.

Laurie I. Mikva

Harry J.F. Korrell, III (by telephone)

Julie A. Reiskin

Gloria Valencia-Weber

James J. Sandman, ex officio

Also attending on Sunday, April 15, 2012:

Richard Sloane Chief of Staff and Special Assistant to the President

Rebecca Fertig Special Assistant to the President Kathleen McNamara Executive Assistant to the President

Victor Fortuno Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel and Corporate

Secretary

Mattie Cohan Senior Assistant General Counsel, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA)

Katherine Ward Executive Assistant, OLA David Richardson Comptroller and Treasurer

Jeffrey Schanz Inspector General

Laurie Tarantowicz Assistant Inspector General and Legal Counsel, Office of the

Inspector General (OIG)

David Maddox Assistant Inspector General for Management and Evaluation, OIG

Carol Bergman Director, Office of Government Relations and Public Affairs

(GRPA)

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Carl Rauscher Director of Media Relations, GRPA
Elizabeth Arledge Communications Manager, GRPA

Treefa Aziz Government Affairs Representative, GRPA
Janet LaBella Director, Office of Program Performance (OPP)
Traci Higgins Director, Office of Human Resources (OHR)

Will Carlin Strategic Plan Consultant, VShift Al Collins Strategic Plan Consultant, VShift

Robert Henley, Jr. Non-Director Member of the Finance Committee

Thomas Smegal Friends of LSC and Non-Director Member of the LSC Institutional

Advancement Committee

John Constance Former Director, GRPA

Chuck Greenfield National Legal Aid and Defender Association (NLADA)

Robert Stein American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Legal Aid

and Indigent Defendants (SCLAID)

Terry Brooks American Bar Association (ABA)

Julie Strandlie ABA Anne Carmichael ABA

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Sharon L. Browne Robert J. Grey, Jr. Victor B. Maddox Laurie I. Mikva

Harry J.F. Korrell, III

Julie A. Reiskin

Gloria Valencia-Weber

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Mark Freedman Senior Assistant General Counsel, OLA

Mattie Cohan Senior Assistant General Counsel, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA)

David Richardson Comptroller and Treasurer

Jeffrey Schanz Inspector General

Ronald "Dutch" Merryman Assistant Inspector General for Audit, OIG

Laurie Tarantowicz Assistant Inspector General and Legal Counsel, Office of the

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David Maddox Assistant Inspector General for Management and Evaluation, OIG

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Daniel Sheahan Program Evaluation Analyst, OIG
Magali Khalkho Resource Management Specialist, OIG

Carol Bergman Director, Office of Government Relations and Public Affairs

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Carl Rauscher Director of Media Relations, GRPA Elizabeth Arledge Communications Manager, GRPA

Treefa Aziz Government Affairs Representative, GRPA

Lora Rath Acting Director, Office of Compliance and Enforcement (OCE)

Janet LaBella Director, Office of Program Performance (OPP)

Reginald Haley Program Analyst, OPP

John Meyer Director, Office of Information Management (OIM)

Jane Ribadeneyra Program Analyst, OPP

Eric Jones Network/System Engineer, Office of Information Technology

(OIT)

LaVon Smith Network/System Engineer, OIT

John Constance Former Director, GRPA

Frank Strickland Former LSC Board Chairman and Non-Director Member of the

LSC Institutional Advancement Committee

Robert Henley, Jr. Non-Director Member of the LSC Audit Committee
Chuck Greenfield National Legal Aid and Defender Association (NLADA)

Terry Brooks American Bar Association (ABA)

Anne Carmichael American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Legal Aid

and Indigent Defendants (SCLAID)

Lisa Wood SCLAID

The following summarizes actions taken by, and presentations made to, the Board:

On Sunday, April 15, 2012, at 3:00 p.m., Chairman Levi called the *open session* meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **MOTION**

Dean Minow moved to approve the agenda. Ms. Browne seconded the motion.

#### **VOTE**

The motion passed by voice vote of the Board members.

Chairman Levi introduced Mr. Carlin and Mr. Collins, LSC's contracted strategic planning consultants from VShift. Mr. Carlin and Mr. Collins provided a brief background of the strategic planning work they have performed in the past year, and they presented a draft

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strategic plan for the Board's consideration. The Board members shared their observations on

the draft and suggested several edits. Chairman Levi noted that the next step will be to

incorporate the Board members' comments and edits into the draft and have it circulated for

consideration prior to holding a Board telephonic meeting in May.

**MOTION** 

Ms. Reiskin moved to recess the Board meeting until the following afternoon. Dean

Minow seconded the motion.

**VOTE** 

The motion passed by voice vote.

The *open session* meeting recessed at 3:37 p.m.

On Monday, April 16, 2012, at 3:55 p.m., Chairman Levi resumed the open session

Board meeting.

Upon approval of the Board's annual meeting minutes, Ms. Reiskin suggested that the

minutes be amended to reflect the LSC President's positive evaluation by the Governance and

Performance Review Committee.

**MOTION** 

Father Pius moved to approve the minutes of the Board's January 21, 2012 meeting, as

amended by Ms. Reiskin. Dean Minow seconded the motion.

**VOTE** 

The motion passed by voice vote.

Chairman Levi gave the Chairman's Report. LSC President, Jim Sandman, gave the

President's Report, and Inspector General, Jeffrey Schanz, gave the Inspector General's Report.

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Ms. Mikva gave the report of the Promotion and Provision for the Delivery of Legal

Services Committee, and she was followed by Mr. Grey who presented the report of the Finance

Committee.

**MOTION** 

Mr. Grey moved for the Board to adopt a resolution revising the consolidated operating

budget for fiscal year 2012, as amended by Ms. Browne.

**VOTE** 

The motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Maddox gave the report of the Audit Committee, and he was followed by Mr.

Keckler who presented the report of the Operations and Regulations Committee.

**MOTION** 

Mr. Keckler moved the Board's adoption of a resolution establishing a policy on

required Board notice and approval of certain LSC promulgations.

**VOTE** 

The motion passed by voice vote.

**MOTION** 

Father Pius moved to table and remand back to the Operations and Regulations

Committee the issue of possible amendment of LSC's regulation on subgrants, 45 CFR Part

1627. Dean Minow seconded the motion.

**VOTE** 

The motion passed by voice vote.

Dean Minow gave the report of the Governance and Performance Review Committee,

and Chairman Levi gave the report of the Institutional Advancement Committee.

## **MOTION**

Ms. Reiskin moved that the Board adopt a resolution designating Richard Sloane as the new Ethics Officer for the Corporation, but not for the Office of Inspector General. Dean Minow seconded the motion.

### **VOTE**

The motion passed by voice vote.

There was no new business to consider and no public comment.

## **MOTION**

Father Pius moved that the meeting close for executive session. Dean Minow seconded the motion.

## **VOTE**

The motion passed by voice vote.

The open session meeting of the Board adjourned into closed session at 5:05 p.m.

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