

North Dakota Judicial Conference

June 16, 2011
Ramada Plaza Suites
Fargo, ND

Chair M. Richard Geiger called the business meeting of the Judicial Conference to order at 1:45 p.m. on June 16, 2011. Sally Holewa, State Court Administrator, called the roll:

Judges of Supreme Court

Gerald W. VandeWalle
Dale V. Sandstrom

Mary Muehlen Maring

Carol Ronning Kapsner
Daniel J. Crothers

Judges of District Court

Donovan Foughty
Lee A. Christofferson
M. Richard Geiger
Michael G. Sturdevant
Sonja Clapp
Joel D. Medd

Frank L. Racek
Wickham Corwin
Douglas R. Herman
John C. Irby
Steven L. Marquart
Wade L. Webb
John T. Paulson
John E. Greenwood
James D. Hovey
Thomas E. Merrick
Jay A. Schmitz

Gail Hagerty
Sonna M. Anderson
David E. Reich
William A. Herauf
H. Patrick Weir
William W. McLees
Todd Cresap
Gary H. Lee
Douglas L. Mattson

Judges of Municipal Court

Robert A. Keogh

DeNae C.H. Kautzmann

Surrogate Judges

William F. Hodny

Members of the Bar

Steven J. Lies

Sherry Mills Moore

A quorum was declared and the business meeting proceeded.

Judge Marquart made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2010 meeting. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

Chair Geiger called for the report of the Committee on Legislation. Judge Sonna Anderson, chair of the Committee on Legislation, reported that the committee had no unfinished or new business at this time.

Chair Geiger then opened the floor for nominations for the Chair-Elect of the Judicial Conference. Judge Weir nominated Judge Steven McCullough. The nomination was seconded

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by Justice Maring. No other nominations were received. **Justice Crothers moved that the nominations be closed and a unanimous ballot be cast for Judge McCullough. The motion carried and Judge McCullough was elected as the new Chair-Elect.**

Chair Geiger then passed the gavel to Justice Carol Kapsner as the new Chair of the Judicial Conference. Justice Kapsner's first order of business as Chair was to present Judge Geiger with a plaque to recognize his service as Chair of the Judicial Conference.

There being no further business, the meeting was ended at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Holewa
State Court Administrator
Executive Secretary to the Judicial Conference