

**THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Agenda**  
**Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**  
**Trevor Zandell's office**

**Members Present:** Trevor Zandell, Heidi Raedel Magaro, Mark Wheeler, Chris Coker, Terry Church, Jackson Maynard, Bill Pope, Megan Card, Lenny Lucenko, Jim Laukkonen

**Members Absent:** Patrick O'Connor, Laura Murphy

**Others Present:** Heather Ligtenberg

1. **Call to order** 5:41pm
2. **Approval of Minutes of March 14, 2018 Board Meeting** – Lenny moves to approve the minutes, seconded by Terry. The motion carries without objections.
3. **New Business**
  - 3.1 President appoints 2018-2019 Board Officer positions (Trevor) – The proposed slate for 2018-2019 is: Immediate Past President: Trevor Zandell, President: Mark Wheeler, President Elect: Laura Murphy, Secretary: Patrick O'Connor, and Treasurer: Jim Laukkonen. Bill moves to approve this panel of officers, seconded by Jackson. The motion carries without objection. The TCBA Board positions 2. Christopher John Coker, 4. Terry Church, and 6. Jackson Maynard will be expiring in May 2018. All three Board members would like to be on the Board for another two year term.
  - 3.2 Bigelow Award nominations – A discussion took place. Fred Gentry is the winner of the award this year. Mark will let Fred know he is the winner.
  - 3.3 Prepare/Plan for Spring Superior Court Bench-Bar Meeting (Trevor) – The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 7. The courtroom and agenda to be announced. In May we will solicit agenda items from the members.
4. **Old Business**
  - 4.1 Bylaws Review Committee update (Trevor) – The committee is proposing changes to the following Bylaws: Article II, section 2, to allow retired Washington attorneys whose WSBA licenses have lapsed to become associate members and to provide that persons whose license to practice law is suspended may not be any type of member of TCBA during the period of suspension – Jim moved to approve the Bylaws as proposed, seconded by Bill. 1 voted no and all others aye. The motion carries.

Jackson moved to that law students in the United States should be entitled to become associate members, seconded by Mark. 2 voted no and all others aye. The motion carried.

Megan moved to approve including LLLTs in Washington State to be associate members, seconded by Bill. 2 voted no and all others aye. The motion carried.

Proposed changes to Article V section 2 that would remove the requirement that the board have at least one “young lawyer” and instead provide the association shall endeavor to have at least one “young lawyer” on the board. Bill moved to approve, seconded by Heidi. The motion carried without objection.
  - 4.2 Retired Attorneys (non-WSBA Members) Attending TCBA Functions update (Trevor)- see 4.1.

- 4.3 Social Media update (Jackson) – Patrick and Jackson met to discuss the internal technological issues with the email address and external communication to broaden the type of communication to the members by setting up a Facebook page and Twitter account. These social media tools would not replace the website and newsletter. Jackson and Heather had a phone conversation with Jill Carter, the website designer, regarding communication for the TCBA. Jill had some ideas to resolve the email issue by adding Mail Poet to the website for \$10 per month. Jill is willing to set up a Facebook page that is closed to the TCBA group. The total cost to set this up and train Heather would be \$270. Chris made the motion to proceed to work with Jill Carter to set up the email option, Facebook, Twitter account, seconded by Mark. The motion carried without objection. Trevor asked that this item be added to the agenda for the budget meeting in November. Due to a couple of members complaints, Trevor emailed the District Court JA regarding the Courtroom email the TCBA has been forwarding to the members to let her know that we will no longer be forwarding those emails since it is on the District Court website. The email is being sent to the Criminal and Family Law sections already.
- 4.4 Social Event update & Tacoma Rainiers event (Megan) – The TCBA will be having an event on August 16, 2018 at the Tacoma Rainiers game. Heather is working on the details and flyer and will email to the members soon. Megan suggested to include the flyer in the May Legal Brief.
- 4.5 Law Day Speech Contest update (Terry) – They had a fantastic turnout with 18 local high school participants at the preliminary round on April 12. Judge Mary Sue Wilson, Judge Skinder, Megan Card, Heidi Magaro, Patrick and Terry were the judges at the preliminaries. They used two courtrooms since there were so many participants. Terry and Patrick decided to have a “top two” in each courtroom so there will be 4 participants in the final round on May 1<sup>st</sup> during the Rotary lunch meeting. The Rotary is going to purchase an extra plaque for the 4<sup>th</sup> place person. Terry proposed to add an extra \$200 to the Law Day prize money budget for a total of \$2000 to be split by the 4 finalists. Bill moved to approve the additional \$200, seconded by Megan. Lenny abstained from voting. The prize money will be split in the following ways: \$800 for 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$600 for 2<sup>nd</sup> place, \$400 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, and \$200 for 4<sup>th</sup> place. The motion carried without objection.
- 4.6 Program, menu, and music at the Annual Meeting & Dinner update (Heather) – The Oly Mountain Boys band are unable to play music at the annual meeting & dinner this year. Heather contacted Pianist Scott Cossu and he is going to play the piano during happy hour and the first 30 minutes of dinner. Heather is working on finalizing the invitation and program for the event.
- 4.7 TCBA email account update (Jackson & Heather) – see 4.3
- 4.8 Rules Committee update (Laura) – Laura will give an update next month.

5. **Treasurer’s Report** (Laura Murphy) – March Financial Reports, Terry moved to approve the March Financial report, seconded by Lenny. Motion carried.

6. **Monthly Luncheon Update** (Mark Wheeler) - Mark has six potential CLE leads for the 2018-2019 CLE season. There is a CLE this Friday, April 20th on “Incentivized Witness Testimony”. Lara Zarowsky, Policy Director at Innocence Project Northwest, is the speaker.

## 7. **Committee Reports**

- 7.1 Bench/Bar (President) – Trevor emailed Commissioner Edwards and the other commissioners to invite them to a meeting with the TCBA to discuss the new courthouse but has not received a response back yet.
- 7.2 CLE (Bill, Megan, Chris, Heidi, Patrick, Laura) – The CLE committee met. Chris, Heidi and Bill are working on a Business Structures and Taxes CLE, and Megan is working on an Ethics CLE. Some other ideas for CLEs are a Disciplinary CLE, Death penalty CLE, and

discussing new legislation.

7.3 Newsletter (Heather) – The Legal Brief will be mailed to members by the end of May.

## 8. **Section Reports**

- 8.1 Family Law (Mike DeWitt) - Our meeting was last Tuesday. Most of the judiciary was out of town (spring conferences, I hear), but Commissioner Kortokrax was there on their behalf. We didn't have a new GAL to introduce this time. We did have a new attorney to introduce, Phebe Enfield, who previously practiced law in Massachusetts and more recently in Seattle. She moved here for the camaraderie, and in keeping in that theme, she and I went to lunch after the meeting. Turns out she might now be able to move into my building due to an upcoming vacancy . . . a few days later she came to look at, and somehow (I'm still not clear on this), she ended up with a new client that Gina Bissell and I have both worked with in the past - as in she was literally meeting with him in the conference room that same day. Nancy Koptur was our featured speaker. She spoke to us about new laws taking effect regarding nonparent visitation, changes to the child support schedule, and changes to the parentage act. I'm still looking for a speaker for May.
- 8.2 Pro Bono (Terry Church) – May 1st is the TCVLS breakfast. Terry is looking for sponsorships if anyone is interested. If you are interested in attending the breakfast, please let Terry know. Justice Gordon McCloud is the keynote speaker for the breakfast.
- 8.3 Young Lawyers (Jen Doehne) - In April we had our monthly meeting at Cascadia Grill. Our monthly event is tonight at the Hands On Museum (Adult Swim). The swearing-in ceremony is April 19<sup>th</sup> and we will offer a happy hour after to anyone who wants to join.
- 8.4 Criminal Law (Larry Jefferson & Wayne Graham) - We are having a meeting April 25<sup>th</sup> at Noon. It will take place at a location to be announced at Main court house. The topic on the agenda is the Felony Leadership Improvement Project or FLIP. The parties anticipate full implementation starting in June of 2018. This will be a major change for every criminal law practitioner. Essentially every case will only have 1 or 2 Omnibus hearings. If this works it will be incredible and lead to a reduction in the amount of time it takes to process criminal law cases. Most likely this will cause some unanticipated consequences. I look forward to the upcoming challenges that we will face a criminal law community.
- 8.5 Real Estate, Land Use, and Environmental Law (Ann Harrie) – I am afraid that I have no news. Thanks to Laura Murphy, I have a speaker for our next CLE, but I haven't called her yet. I hope to have more news before your next meeting!

## 9. **Additions to agenda**

9.1 Board meetings this summer: The plan is to not have meetings in June, July and August.

## 10. **Announcements**

11. **Date/location of next meeting:** Jim Laukkonen, Jackson Maynard and Lenny Lucenko at Lenny's office on May 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

12. **Adjourn** 7:42 pm