

THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.
Bill Pope's office

Members Present: Terry Church, Bill Pope, Patrick O'Connor, Megan Card, Lenny Lucenko, Trevor Zandell, Laura Murphy, Jim Laukkonen, Janet McClanahan-Moody

Members Absent: Chris Coker, Nate Kortokrax, Mark Wheeler

Others Present: Heather Ligtenberg

1. **Call to order** 5:37pm
2. **Approval of Minutes of December 10, 2016 Board Retreat** – Trevor moves to approve the minutes, seconded by Laura. The motion carries without objections.
3. **New Business**
 - 3.1 Holiday lunch 2017 venue – Heather will look into The Hub with Ricardo's as a caterer and the Olympia County Club and will report next month.
 - 3.2 TCBA Pro Bono Section Chair – Terry will follow up with Rachael at TCVLS
4. **Old Business**
 - 4.1 Law Day 2017 update – Terry, Patrick, & Laura are on the committee. Terry will work on a draft topic and send it to Patrick and Laura.
 - 4.2 2017 Judicial Evaluation Survey update (Trevor) – Trevor sent Heather an email today. The survey needs to be sent to the members on March 1st. Heather & Trevor will continue to work on this.
 - 4.3 TCBA Membership Renewal update (Heather) – Heather sent an email to the members the first week of January. We have had a lot of renewals so far.
 - 4.4 Revolving Board Member meeting locations (Heather) – Jim Laukkonen and Nate Kortokrax were added to the rotation.
 - 4.5 Attorney Badge Cards (Megan) – Megan sent a letter to Judge Schaller. Judge Schaller said she will forward it to the Presiding Judge, Judge Murphy. Megan will follow up if she doesn't hear anything.
 - 4.6 Health Insurance update (Megan & Terry) – Megan reached out to Puget Sound Benefit Services. They would like to know how many people would be interested in this before going forward. Decision to send an email/survey monkey to the members asking who would be interested in insurance. Megan and Heather will work together on this.
 - 4.7 Forum/List Serves for Member discussions (Jim) – Jim talked to WACDL who has a professional list serve and the price is \$2 per person per year to sign up. Google Groups is free. After discussion the Board decided to not continue with this idea.
 - 4.8 Employment Related Links on the website (Mark) - Mark will report at the next meeting
 - 4.9 Paralegal Involvement and Paralegal Training (Mark) - Mark will report at the next meeting
5. **Treasurer's Report** (Janet McClanahan Moody) – December Financial Reports
Trevor moves to approve the Treasurer's reports, seconded by Patrick. The motion carries without objections.
6. **Monthly Luncheon Update** (Trevor Zandell)- Janet McClanahan-Moody will be the speaker at the January 20 CLE. John Strait from WSBA will discuss Ethics at the February CLE. There will be an Immigration speaker in March. The Board discussed if non-attorney staff and non-TCBA Members

can attend the CLE's. TCBA Members and their non-attorney staff can attend the CLE's for \$20 and non-member attorneys are \$25. The prices at the door are \$25 for TCBA Members and their non-attorney staff and \$30 for non-member attorneys. Bill made a motion to approve the new fees, seconded by Jim. The motion carried with Trevor and Janet voting no.

7. **Committee Reports**

- 7.1 Bench/Bar (President) – Megan emailed Pam Hartman-Beyer and let her know the TCBA would like to have a bi-annual meeting with the Bench. Megan proposed some dates but has not heard back from Pam yet. Megan will follow up.
- 7.2 CLE (Bill, Megan, Terry, Laura, Chris) – The committee will plan a meeting this month. Megan and Bill will plan a luncheon for members who are interested in joining this committee.
- 7.3 Newsletter (Heather) – The newsletter will go out in the mail tomorrow.

8. **Section Reports**

- 8.1 Family Law (Mike DeWitt) – There was a section meeting today. Family Law List Serve has 140 people on the list. Heather will send the CLE email to Mike Dewitt.
- 8.2 Pro Bono (Terry Church) – no update
- 8.3 Young Lawyers (Megan Rue) – The New and Young Lawyers continue to meet every month at I.talia. This month, on January 10th, Ben Witten, a financial planner at Merrill Lynch, will be hosting a lunch for attorneys aimed at providing attorneys with information to assist their clients with retirement plans. While the lunch session is aimed at assisting attorneys, it is not, unfortunately, qualified for CLE credit. A full description from Ben about the talk is below:
I will explain how a Trusteed IRA can:
 - Preserve the tax advantages of IRAs, 401(k)s, or other qualified plan assets and efficiently pass them on to heirs
 - Protect IRA assets from creditors now and after they are passed to heirs
 - Control who will inherit IRA assets and how quickly they can withdraw funds
 - Provide for incapacity, making required minimum withdrawals and managing the account if the account owner is no longer ableFinally, I as of March 4, 2017, I will no longer be a new or young lawyer, so Megan Card and the Board will need to appoint someone in my stead.
- 8.4 Criminal Law – Jim has the list of all the section members. Jim and Patrick met and are discussing what the scope of this section will be. They will meet again and provide an update next month.
- 8.5 Real Estate, Land Use, and Environmental Law (Ann Harrie) – I do not have any updates this month other than to say that I am working on lining up some CLEs.

9. **Additions to agenda**

Pictures in the Law Library hallway - Megan will look into this further and report back next meeting.

10. **Announcements**

11. **Date/location of next meeting:** February 8, 2017 at Mark Wheeler's office

12. **Adjourn** 7:07pm