THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. Trevor Zandell's Office

Members Present: Trevor Zandell, Larry Jefferson, Mark Wheeler, John Skinder, Janet McClanahan

Moody, Terry Church, Brent Normoyle, Megan Card, Chris Coker, Bill Pope,

Members Absent: none

Others Present: Angela Skinder

1. **Call to order** 5:42pm

2. **Approval of Minutes of February 12, 2014 Board meeting** Motion to approve minutes from February 12, 2014 made by Bill; John seconds and the motion passes.

3. **New Business**

3.1 Website Proposals (see attached) Discussion on both proposals.

Motion made by Mark to pay up to \$1500 for Jill Carter, with pay as you go updates and merchant services. John seconds the motion, one opposed. Motion passes.

Discussion on having a board member be involved in the website redesign and Janet agrees to be the board member involved.

3.2 Lawyer Referral (member-see attached letter) Discussion about past service, pros and cons. Trevor would be willing to look into this possibility if there is an interest. Larry will contact member to let her know that the board would like more research on this and then she can work with Trevor.

4. Old Business

- 4.1 Nominating Committee Larry & Lenny still working on, will be ready for next meeting.
- 5. Treasurer's Report (Terry Church) February Financial report
 So far we are at about 20% of our budgeted income. Everything is on track at this point.
 Motion made by Leslie to approve February's Financial report, John seconds and the motion is approved.
- 6. **Monthly Luncheon Update** (Lenny Lucenko) Justin Nordhorn from the Liquor Control Board will present on I502 for March; Steve Henderson will present in April.

7. Committee Reports

- 7.1 Bench/Bar (Bill Pope) nothing to report. Larry will send an email to Judge Murphy about possible bench/bar.
- 7.2 CLE (Bill, John & Megan) The Supreme Court CLE in September is being abandoned; There will be a ½ day CLE on April 3rd-Research & writing with Wendy Coddington & Shawn Newman tackling the research portion and Judge Price and Judge Schaller to present on persuasive writing.
- 7.3 Newsletter (Angela Skinder) No Judge's column provided and too many advertisements. Discussed plan to get consistent Judge's columns and setting limits on how many advertisements will be accepted. Administrative Assistant to change wording on website to indicate this limit for ads.

8. Section Reports

8.1 Family Law (Patrick Rawnsley) – January: Good first meeting dealing with several issues, some ethical and some that were case law specific.

February: Had a combined GAL & FAMLAW section meeting – Candyce Bollinger gave a

presentation on protecting children from parental conflict as well as material/tools she

provides to communication challenged families. At the end of the meeting, the inevitability of the implementation of case scheduling orders in all family law cases was discussed. I prepared a questionnaire that was distributed to the family law section members regarding what deadlines should be on the order with a due date of 2/28 for responses. I received 6 responses of nominal usefulness.

Presented plaque to Bill Pope for all of his years of dedicated service as the family law section chair.

March: Will be ramping up process on implementing case scheduling orders and we have a number of other issues to discuss.

- 8.2 Pro Bono (Leslie Owen) May 8 will be the TCVLS breakfast; law fund will be shifting its approach on how they solicit donations. This means there will be an event instead of the phone-athon, They are looking at hosting something in the fall.
- 8.3 Young Lawyers (Megan Card) Working on the by-law changes; YL lunch was well attended this month. There was a question raised about whether a law student can be a TCBA member, by-laws indicate that to be a member you have to be an attorney. February bar exam just ended; there will be a swearing in ceremony set soon.
- 8.4 Criminal Defense (Paul Strophy) nothing to report
- 8.5 Land Use Committee (Martha Wehling) –Mark & Trevor met with Martha on Section name change. It will now be "Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental Law". Motion made by Mark to adopt this new name, Leslie seconds and the motion passes. Megan will change title in the by-laws. Mark, Trevor and Martha also brainstormed topic ideas for future meetings and/or CLE's. Martha reports that she is planning on having a meeting about every quarter. The next meeting is planned for April 2 and will have Kelly Wood discussing SEPA scoping and a brief update on the status of the shoreline master program. This will be held at Mercato's and the hope is to have the presentation approved for 1 CLE credit.

She also plans on providing an article for the Legal Brief. For June she is hoping to have a presentation on the Mazama pocket gopher and the impact of the listing in Thurston County.

- 9. Additions to agenda Add by-laws to next meeting; Scholarship (Brent)
- 10. **Announcements** Leslie gave notice that she will resign at the end of May; Brent gave notice that he will resign in September. Administrative Assistant will send an email for the two open positions.
- 11. **Date/location of next meeting**: April 2, 2014, Mark Wheeler's Office (John & Larry will host)
- 12. **Adjourn** 6:59pm