THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 13, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. Terry Church's Office

Members Present: Terry Church, Larry Jefferson, Trevor Zandell, Janet McClanahan Moody, Mark Wheeler, Brent Normoyle, Bill Pope, John Skinder, Leslie Owen, Megan Card

Members Not Present: Lenny Lucenko, Chris Coker

Others Present: Angela Skinder

- 1. **Call to order** 5:4pm
- 2. **Approval of Minutes of October 9, 2013 Board meeting** Motion to approve minutes of October 9, 2013 made by Leslie; Bill seconds the motion and the motion passes.

3. New Business

3.1 Local Hero - Larry received an email from the WSBA requesting that we solicit for a Local Hero. The award will be presented at the BOG luncheon in January.

3.2 Board Retreat prep – Larry has met with Joel Green/mediator and created an agenda; Larry will provide to board prior to Saturday. AGENDA topics include: Short history of TCBA; Introductions and how/why each member is involved with TCBA; creating a policy for section leaders – how to pick them and how to obtain interested parties; Starting a mentor program –this will be led by Megan; Term limits; Weblink fees (will need financial update-Terry/Leslie-Big picture)

*Note: The Bigelow House Bricks were removed from the agenda and going green was moved to end to be included with financial update. Food/coffee for retreat: Trevor will pick up and bring to meeting.

- 4. **Old Business** none at this time
- 5. **Treasurer's Report** (Terry Church) October Financials show nothing out of the ordinary. Bill moves to adopt the October financial statements and Leslie seconds the motion and the motion passes.
- 6. **Monthly Luncheon Update** (Lenny Lucenko) November is set with Judge Buckley et al on Veteran's Court; February 2014 we have Judge Dixon and his presentation on professionalism and decorum in the courtroom and March 2014 we have the Liquor Control Board representative on the marijuana issue. Lenny hopes to have April 2014 booked by the end of the year.

7. Committee Reports

- 7.1 Bench/Bar (Bill Pope) nothing to report
- 7.2 CLE (Terry Church) Meeting tomorrow over lunch at Casa Mia.

Terry would like to step down as Chair due to his duties as Treasurer. Bill & Megan & John will cochair.

December CLE has an issue with the WSBA and credits, Terry is working on this with Ken (the speaker).

7.3 Newsletter (Angela Skinder) Went out last week; Admin has billed \$850 in advertising for this issue.

8. Section Reports

8.1 Family Law (Bill Pope) – Meeting was held yesterday. The new schedule starting January 2014 was the main topic of meeting; it was opened up for discussion. The issue is that the Courts are dealing with fewer funds and increasing demands. Judge Wickham & Judge Sutton will come to FJC for 2014.

8.2 Pro Bono (Leslie Owen) – TCVLS – Rachel Lundberg Lundmark(?) has been hired as the new Executive Director, she is not an attorney; The law fund for legal services fundraising (phone-a-thon) is happening now.

8.3 Young Lawyers (Megan Card) – The change for the monthly lunch to the 1st Tuesday of each month has been well attended. Phil Brady has been coming from BOG/WSBA. The WSBA is launching a public service by giving scholarship money to attend CLE's if you give back through programs such as the moderate means; will clinics, etc.

YL's will be adopting a family again this year.

8.4 Criminal Defense (Paul Strophy?)- Larry has not been able to get in touch with him. Still need to find someone to Chair this committee.

8.5 Land Use Committee (Carmen Rowe) – Martha Wehling is interested in chairing this committee and has submitted a letter of interest.

9. Additions to agenda –Larry received an email from Julie Carignan – Two TCVLS board members will be needed by end of the year from the TCBA. Admin will send an email looking for interested parties; Julie will create email then provide to Larry or Admin.

-BBQ for next year? Everyone agrees to YES, but move location to a more central location. -Adopt-a-family –Update on adopted families to date

- 10. **Announcements** There will be a Will clinic for 1st Responder's in Lakewood on Dec 7, 2013 if anyone is interested in helping out.
- 11. **Date/location of next meeting**: December 11, 2013, Chris Coker's Office (1800 Cooper Pt Rd SW, Bldg 16)
- 12. **Adjourn** 6:36pm