### THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

# Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Terry Church's office

Members Present: Terry Church, Bill Pope, Jim Laukkonen, Mark Wheeler, Trevor Zandell, Heidi

Raedel Magaro, Lenny Lucenko, Laura Murphy, Megan Card, Jackson Maynard

Members Absent: Chris Coker, Patrick O'Connor

**Others Present:** Heather Ligtenberg

1. **Call to order** 5:37pm

2. **Approval of Minutes of September 13, 2017 Board Meeting** – Trevor said to add "motion carries" to 3.2 on the minutes. Laura moves to approve the minutes, seconded by Terry. The motion carries without objections.

#### 3. **New Business**

- 3.1 Salvation Army Adopt-A-Family (Lenny) Lenny shared information to the Board about the Salvation Army Adopt-A-Family program. The Board decided to participate in the Adopt-A-Family program again this year. Mark moves to approve, seconded by Jim. The motion carries without objections.
- 3.2 FJC Adoption Teddy Bears (Megan) Angela Nelson at FJC reached out to the TCBA and asked if the TCBA would be willing to donate money towards teddy bears for the children at the National Adoption Day on November 16, 2017. TCBA has budgeted up to \$300 for this event annually, therefore we do not need to solicit members for additional donations. Lenny moves to approve, seconded by Mark. The motion carries without objections.
- 3.3 YL Swearing in Ceremony budget (Heather) This will be discussed at the budget meeting.
- 3.4 Letter Encouraging BOCC to Negotiate New Courthouse Site with City (Trevor) –Trevor proposed the idea of sending a letter to the Thurston County Board of County Commissioners, on behalf of the TCBA Board, encouraging them to negotiate a site for a new county courthouse with the City of Olympia. There was no consensus agreement to move forward with the suggestion, and therefore Trevor withdrew the suggestion and said he would provide the board with more information on the new courthouse issue for their consideration.
- 3.5 Red Mass at St. Michaels Catholic Church, Jan. 8 2018, noon (Jackson) There will be a Red Mass at St. Mikes Catholic Church for public officials, Judges and Lawyers the day before the legislative session begins. It is a Non-political event and is open to everyone. Jackson would like to include this information in the Legal Brief and announce it at the Holiday lunch. Jackson will send information to Heather for the Legal Brief.

#### 4. Old Business

- 4.1 TCBA email address update (members not receiving emails) Courthouse/County employees do not appear to be receiving the bulk emails sent from the TCBA. Heather will work with Pam Hartman-Beyer to see if the Judges are receiving the emails from the TCBA. A suggestion was made to personally invite the Judges to the events by calling them.
- 4.2 TCBA mugs update (Megan) We are now out of mugs. Megan previously reached out to Color Graphics. Megan will report back at the next meeting.
- 4.3 2018 Donation Request applications This will be discussed at the Board Retreat on November 18, 2017.
- 4.4 United Way Day of Caring update (Jackson) We had a good turnout for the event, 14

- members volunteered. We painted the inside of the Catholic Community Services Drexel House.
- 4.5 Board Retreat update date, food, location, agenda (Heather) The Board Retreat will be on November 18, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Bill's office. Heidi will bring the coffee/bagels/juice. Heather asked the Board to send agenda items to her by October 31. Joel Greene from the Dispute Resolution Center will be the facilitator for the meeting. Trevor has a meeting on November 1, 2017 to discuss the agenda.
- 4.7 Annual Meeting & Dinner update (Heather) The Annual Meeting & Dinner will be on May 18, 2018 at Indian Summer Golf & Country Club.
- 4.8 Monthly Membership meeting & CLE venue update (Heather)- We will be staying at the Hotel RL for the monthly membership meeting and CLE. Due to a rise in food costs at Hotel RL, the price will raise to \$21 per person in January 2018.
- 5. Treasurer's Report (Laura Murphy) May 2017 Financial Reports, June 2017 Financial Reports, July 2017 Financial Reports, August 2017 Financial Reports, September 2017 Financial Reports Lenny moves to approve the Financial Reports, seconded by Jackson. The motion carries without objections.
- 6. **Monthly Luncheon Update** (Mark Wheeler)- Mark is working on a variety of CLEs for the rest of the year. The September CLE went well. The October CLE is an Employment Law CLE presented by Anne Wilson.

## 7. Committee Reports

- 7.1 Bench/Bar (President) The next meeting will be on November 9, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. The meeting will be in a bigger room, room 152 in Building 1, lunch will be served, and the bench and bar will continue to sit together for the meeting. Jackson will purchase the lunch for 50 people.
- 7.2 CLE (Bill, Megan, Heidi, Chris, Patrick, Laura) The committee met in September. Justice Owens did an ethics CLE a couple years ago. Megan is working with her to find a date for another half day CLE. Patrick is doing a Trial CLE-Part Two half day seminar on November 30. Mark is working on a CLE in December 2017. Heidi is looking to do an Able Accounts CLE in March 2018. Chris is working on a Labor & Industries CLE for spring 2018.
- 7.3 Newsletter (Heather) The deadline for the articles for the November Legal Brief is October 24. Heather will email the members about submitting articles.

## 8. Section Reports

- 8.1 Family Law (Mike DeWitt) No report
- 8.2 Pro Bono (Terry Church) There is a Beer & Justice event at the Three Magnets Brewing Co. on October 12 from 5-7pm. Justice Gonzalez is the speaker at the event.
- Young Lawyers (Jen Doehne) September we held our monthly lunch, and co-hosted (with TCVLS) the happy hour after the swearing-in ceremony. The happy hour was very well attended with over 50 people.
  October we held our monthly lunch (yesterday); Thursday we'll have (what will probably turn into a monthly event) trivia at Ferrelli's in Lacey, and October 27<sup>th</sup> we'll have our second wine tasting event at Uncork & Unwind.
- 8.4 Criminal Law (Larry Jefferson & Wayne Graham) There are numerous changes happening with the court. We held on meeting at the courthouse on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Noon. It was well attended. We had over 20-30 people present. We addressed the a potential new draft omnibus order; how to enter a change of plea in Thurston County and Nate Kortokrax was introduced to the criminal legal community. There was also pizza. I have also scheduled an informal meeting for Noon on Thursday to discuss changes to the omnibus calendar. The meeting is for people to give more input. Last of all on

- Friday at 5:30the TCBA CLS we will be meeting at the Oly Tap room for another informal discussion time. I do not have another meeting scheduled at this time. My plan is to do in the next 30-45 days. I want to have both of the judicial officers present to discuss upcoming changes. They may or may not agree to my plan.
- 8.5 Real Estate, Land Use, and Environmental Law (Ann Harrie) We are gearing up for our CLE on the 12<sup>th</sup>, which will be presented by Kim Thornton. The matter is the *Hirst* decision. So far we have over 20 people who have RSVPd. I am working on one more CLE for the year and we should be set for the year.
- 9. Additions to agenda
- 10. **Announcements**
- 11. **Date/location of next meeting**: November 8, 2017 at Megan Card's office
- 12. **Adjourn** 7:05pm