

**THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Agenda**  
**Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.**  
**Terry Church's office**

Members Present: Heidi Raedel Magaro, Mark Wheeler, Bill Pope, , Patrick O'Connor, Laura Murphy, Megan Card, Terry Church, , Jim Laukkonen, Jackson Maynard  
Members Absent: Lenny Lucenko, Trevor Zandell, Chris Coker  
Others Present: Heather Ligtenberg

1. **Call to order** 5:35pm
2. **Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2018 Board Meeting:** Heidi moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Terry. The motion carried without objections.
3. **New Business**
  - 3.1 Adoption Day Funding Request (Mark) – Mark received a request from Martin Meyer to buy refreshments and teddy bears for the annual Adopt Day Celebration in November. A discussion took place. Laura moved to approve a donation of up to \$300.00, seconded by Megan. The motion carries without objections. Mark will contact Martin Meyer.
  - 3.2 CLE venue for January –April 2019 (Heather) - A discussion took place. Laura moved approve continuing with Hotel RL for 2019 dates, seconded by Terry. The motion carries without objections. Heather will contact Hotel RL to book CLE dates for the 2019.
  - 3.3 Tacoma Rainiers Event in 2019 (Heather) - Heather reported that Trevor has been in contact with Chris Aubertin, Sales Manager at the Tacoma Rainiers, regarding booking an event for next summer. The Rainiers are willing to give us a discounted ticket price for kids for next summer. After a discussion took place, the Board decided a Saturday game in the summer would be best, preferably in August when the weather is better. Patrick moved to approve Trevor booking an event date for next summer, seconded by Heidi. The motion carries with one objection.
  - 3.4 November 29 Bench-Bar Meeting (Mark) – The next Bench-Bar meeting will be on November 29 at noon at the Thurston County Courthouse. The TCBA will provide lunch again. Heather will send an email to the members for agenda items. There is a tentative meeting on Oct. 25, 2018 to discuss the agenda with Judge Schaller and the Court Administrator, Pam Hartman-Beyer. Heather will send a reminder email to the Board Members on Monday, October 21st to come to the meeting at Mud Bay Coffee at 7:30am. Heather will send an email to the section Chairs to find out if they have anything they want to include. Jackson volunteered to purchase the sandwiches and drinks for the event again.
  - 3.5 October 25, Bench-Bar Planning Meeting (Mark) – See 3.4 above.
4. **Old Business**
  - 4.1 Rules Committee update (Laura) – The rules were published in September. Laura will send the new rules to the members.
  - 4.2 Annual Board Retreat update (Heather) – The annual Board Retreat will be on November 17, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m., at Bill's office. Laura volunteered to bring bagels. Mark volunteered to bring fruit, and Patrick volunteered to bring coffee. Joel Greene from the DRC will be the facilitator again. Joel asked if anyone has an easel we could use. Megan will check to see if her office has an easel. Mark is working with Joel on the agenda. So far, social events, donation requests, and priorities for the upcoming year are on the agenda. If you have topics, please send them to Heather and Mark. Heather suggested adding the Judicial Survey

- to the agenda.
- 4.3 Social Media update (Heather) – Heather ran into some issues with setting up the Facebook account. She is working on solving the issues. She is waiting for the Twitter account to be set up by Jill Carter.
  - 4.4 Salvation Army Adopt-A-Family update (Lenny) – Heather reported that she revised the letter to the members reflecting the change in how the TCBA will have families available to adopt this year. Instead of having people available to adopt at the Holiday lunch they will only be available to adopt ahead of time through an email to Heather. There will still be the option to donate money towards Safeway gift cards for the families at the Holiday lunch. The letter will be emailed to the members by the end of October.
5. **Treasurer’s Report** (Jim Laukkonen) – May, June, July, August, & September 2018 Financial Reports – Megan moved to approve the Financial Reports, seconded by Laura. The motion carries without objections.
  6. **Monthly Luncheon Update** (Laura Murphy)- Oct. 19 CLE is Fraud Examination – Trick or Treat? By James Peet. November 16 David Ward, New Legislative update that permit relatives can petition to visit children. Future CLEs: Anne Gwenn maybe in January 2019 on Practice Management.
  7. **Committee Reports**
    - 7.1 Bench/Bar (President) – See 3.4 above.
    - 7.2 CLE (Bill, Megan, Chris, Heidi, Patrick, Laura) – The CLE committee met. Heidi and Chris have a half day CLE on October 26: “What you do to start a business.” Patrick is working on a “Trial Practice 3” CLE at the courthouse with hopefully Judge Schaller in December. Megan is working on an Ethics CLE on February 7, 2019. The presenters will be Steve Henderson, David Cullen, and Kevin Banks. The topic will be “What To Do To Avoid Disciplinary Action.” Megan is looking into having the CLE at Rivers Edge and serve beer/wine cheese/salami at the CLE. Bill moves to approve having the Ethics CLE at Rivers Edge in February 7, 2019, seconded by Megan. Bill moves to approve Megan to work with the venue to discuss the pricing, seconded by Patrick. The motion carries without objections. Jackson is working on a CLE on changes made to the surrogacy law. Jackson is interested in doing an Ethics CLE on “Lawyers in Non-Lawyer Roles” in December. Jackson, Megan, and Patrick are working on a Death Penalty CLE. The committee is meeting again on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:15pm at Bill’s office.
    - 7.3 Newsletter (Heather) – The ads and articles for the November Legal Brief are due on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mark is working on finding a Judge to write the November View from the Bench article. Judge Price has agreed to write the January 2019 View from the Bench. Mark is working on a judge for the November article.
  8. **Section Reports**
    - 8.1 Family Law (Mike DeWitt) - Working on the agenda right now for our next meeting, which will be Tuesday. Pretty light agenda - two questions from members, nothing much else going on. That's about all I have to report.
    - 8.2 Pro Bono (Terry Church) – There is a Beer & Justice fundraising event on October 18, 2018 at 7:30pm at Waterstreet Cafe. Justice Gordon McCloud is the speaker. TCVLS Board is working on Strategic Planning right now.
    - 8.3 Young Lawyers (Jen Doehne) – There was a Swearing-in Ceremony in September that went well follow by a happy hour co-hosted by the Governmental Lawyers Group. There were 12 to14 new admittees. Jen Doehne would like to resign from the Young Lawyer Chair position by the end of the year. An email was sent to the members soliciting interest in being the new Young Lawyer Chair. The TCBA received an email from one person who was interested. A discussion took place. Mark will write a Thank you to Jen Doehne on behalf of the Board for

her hard work and dedication to the Young Lawyer section. Mark will contact the person who is interested and let them know they got it. Laura suggested giving a Certificate of Appreciation to all of the section Chairs at the Holiday lunch. Heather will look into the certificates and will report next month. Jen reported that in September we had our monthly lunch, played some pick up volleyball, and also went on a monthly hike/walk at Watershed Park.

- 8.4 Criminal Law (Larry Jefferson & Wayne Graham) - Members had a robust meeting on September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018. We discussed the impacts of the changes to criminal law practice in Thurston County. Members were able to openly discuss the growing pains associated with the new changes. One of the positive comments concerned moving trial confirmations to 10 days before trial has a positive effect for both the prosecution and defense counsel. We will be having a another meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to discuss successes from new changes and to discuss how certain hearings should proceed.
- 8.5 Real Estate, Land Use, and Environmental Law (Heather Burgess) – The RELU section has not met since the September board update, but we do have two upcoming planned events. The first is a no-host section social to be held on Thursday, November 8, from 4:30 to 6:00 pm at Well 80 in Olympia. An invite to section members and an event announcement that can be shared with the larger membership if desired on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. The section will not meet in December. The second event is a proposed lunchtime 1.0 credit CLE to be held on January 30, 2019 at Mercato Ristorante in Olympia on the Washington Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act (RCW 64.90), which took effect on July 1, 2018. The presentation will focus on key changes in the law applicable to plats, CCRs, and HOAs. The CLE request and biographies for the presenters are attached to this update for review/approval/processing. Note: the proposed CLE event will be capped at 25 attendees due to space constraints.

## 9. **Additions to agenda**

- 9.1 TCBA Logo on your website as professional organizations you are members of (Mark) - A TCBA Member asked to put the TCBA logo on their website as being a member of the TCBA. Mark approved the request. He also recommended the idea to anyone else who would like to do that.
- 9.2 WSBA MentorMixer – The WSBA is hosting another MentorMixer on November 15th at Hotel RL from 5-7ppm for new attorneys to get to know more experienced attorneys.
- 9.3 Color of Justice – Mark sent an email to the members to sign up to volunteer for the event.
- 9.4 Shared calendar – Mark emailed Commissioner Zinn to let her know that the TCBA is not interested in this right now. Commissioner Zinn said if we have non-public events we can send them to her.
- 9.5 Attorney’s having better access to Odyssey – There is a contact at the Administrative Office of the Courts who can help improve access to Odyssey. Let Mark know if you need more information.
- 9.6 Budget Committee meeting – Laura, Mark Jim and Heather will be meeting on October 24<sup>th</sup> to talk about the 2019 budget if anyone else would like to attend.
- 9.7 Day of Caring – Great job to Jackson for Chairing the event this year. It was a great turnout. The project was cleaning and beautifying Pear Blossom Place in Olympia.
- 9.8 New Courthouse – A series of open houses are coming up. The TCBA Board would like to have an update from the liaisons Marie Doctor and Jonathan Sprouffske for each meeting in the future. Patrick will forward Heather the announcement with the open house dates. Heather will forward it to the members. Heather will add this item to the agenda under Committee reports.

10. **Announcements**
11. **Date/location of next meeting:** Chris Coker's office on November 14, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.
12. **Adjourn 7:10**