

## Washington Young Lawyers Committee

# Washington Young Lawyers Committee | Seattle, WA Saturday, October 1, 2016 | 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Conference Call Option Available: 1.866.577.9294 | Participant Code: 57240 | Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Helen Ling, Jacob Brennan, Kjersti Stroup, Kim Sandher, Sarah Fleming, Paul Webber, Russell

Knight, Andrew Van Winkle, Derek Johnson, and Chelsie Elliot

**Phone:** Geoff Arnold, Jakob McGhie and Mike Moceri

Absent: Whitny Norton (excused), Alice Bagirova (excused), Colin McMahon (excused) and Ryan Griffee

(excused)

WSBA Staff: Lynda Foster, Ana Selvidge and Paula Littlewood

**Board of Governors (BOG) Liaison:** Sean Davis

**Guests:** None

#### **Executive Session:**

Sean Davis, Board of Governors Liaison, called a closed executive session at 9:15 a.m.

## 10:17 a.m. Welcome, Introductions & Approval of Minutes

Paul Webber called the meeting to order. Kjersti Stroup motioned to approve minutes, Russel Knight seconded. Committee voted to approve the minutes, Andrew Van Winkle abstained.

## WSBA's Mission, Strategic Goals & Entities, and the Future of the Legal Profession

WSBA executive director Paula Littlewood gave an orientation presentation to the WYLC on WSBA and how the future of the legal profession.

## WSBA Background and Mission

Ana Selvidge provided an overview of the purpose of the WYLC and the most important role committee members play in the success of the committee, for new and young lawyers and the WSBA.

## Overview: WSBA FY17 Policies, Timeline and Priorities

Lynda Foster provided an overview on how WYLC members can work within the WSBA timeline to submit budget requests and contribute to the WYLC annual report. She also gave an in depth overview on the reimbursement process and policies at WSBA.

### **Board of Governors Report**

Sean Davis presented on the week's Board of Governor's (BOG) meeting and answered questions about votes taken by the BOG.

#### WYLC FY 2017 planning discussion

The WYLC set meeting locations:

- April meeting in Spokane
  - Jacob motioned, Andrew seconded, motion passed

- June meeting in in Tri-cities
  - o Mike motioned, Kjersti seconded, motion passed
- December, February and October meetings at the Seattle WSBA offices

The WYLC discussed selecting a new Chair-elect. Paul Webber will take up chair for FY 2017. WYLC members can apply for the chair-elect position. Lynda Foster will send email to committee members about chair-elect interest and process to apply.

#### **Subcommittee Proposal and Next Steps**

The WYLC reviewed the proposed subcommittees and made suggested changes. Six subcommittees we agreed upon for FY 2017:

- 1. Leadership will administer the ABA Scholarship and Public Service & Leadership award, as well as any ABA delegate selection tasks under the prevue of the WYLC. Kjersti Stroup will chair.
- Outreach, Education Events and Fund will coordinate the outreach events the WYLC funds with the \$1,000 allotted to the committee for outreach. Will also monitor the other line items dedicated to the WYLC and requests for increases in funds to be sent to the BOG. Paul Webber will ask Russel Knight to chair.
- 3. Mentorship will continue work to connect the WYLC to MentorLink programming and plan another episodic mentorship event. Paul Webber will ask Whitny Norton to chair.
- 4. Incubator Program will continue work Engaging in high level discussions on incubator programs and assess the WYLCs place in this endeavor. Mike Moceri will chair.
- 5. Recruiting Retention and Retiring will partner with the Oregon YLD in planning and executing the "Northwest Regional Summit: Rural Practice Recruiting, Retention, and Retiring." Jacob Brennan will chair.
- 6. Debt and New Lawyer Benefits Brainstorm and research options and look for opportunities to encourage WSBA to "provide low-cost and free professional resources to new/young lawyer," including exploring how to give new lawyers access to a brief bank and financial planning services. Inform WSBA's LOMAP what would be beneficial services for new lawyers. Kim Sander will chair.

The leadership team will talk about how the WYLC will work on YLL Program Connection and scheduling a BOG Lunch on a future call.

## **Adjournment**

Paul Webber motioned to adjourn, Kjersti Stroup seconded. Motion approved, adjournment at 1:55 pm.