WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

(DRAFT) FY2023 WSBA Awards Committee Meeting #1 Minutes

Monday, November 28, 4-5 p.m.

Via Zoom

In attendance: Hunter Abell – Chair, Francis Adewale, Dan Clark, Kevin Fay, Erik Kaeding, Nam Nguyen, Brett Purtzer, Michael Kroner – Staff Liaison

Also in attendance: Sara Niegowski, Jenn Olegario

Absent: Brian Tollefson, Mary Rathbone

- Welcome
 - Committee came to order at 4:01 p.m.
- Committee Operations
 - Hunter asked the group to consider several issues: 1) whether the committee should accept late nominations; 2) whether the committee should consider nominations "from the floor" (i.e., nominations not formally submitted through the written process); and 3) whether the committee should "mix and match" nominations (i.e., recommending awards for nominees in a category they were not nominated for). Discussion was held on all three issues.
 - Kevin moved that the committee not consider nominations "from the floor," and that the committee maintain the capacity to "mix and match," so long as some written nomination material is submitted. Francis seconded. All present voted in favor.
 - Erik moved that the committee may consider nominations submitted after the formal deadline, so long as it is practical for staff to process any late nominations. Kevin seconded. Hunter, Francis, Dan, Kevin, Erik, and Brett voted in favor; Nam voted against.
- Awards Ceremony Format
 - Due to lack of time, the group postponed discussion of this issue to a meeting to be scheduled in the near future.
- Scheduling Spring Committee Meeting
 - The group scheduled its spring meeting for Monday, March 27, 2023, from 4-7 p.m. The group also scheduled Wednesday, April 5, 2023, from 4-7 p.m. as a supplementary meeting time, if necessary.
- Other business
- Adjourn
 - The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

