

Elder Law Executive Committee – Monthly Teleconference

Tuesday, October 16, 2018, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Present

Karen Boxx, Chair

Meredith Grigg, Chair-Elect,

Peggy Sanders, Secretary

Matthew Parker, Treasurer

Carla Calogero, Trustee

Mark Vohr, Trustee

Lisa Kremer, Communications Co-Chair

Ann LoGerfo, Outreach/Mentorship Co-Chair

Angela Macey-Cushman, CLE Co-Chair

Amy Freeman, Communications Co-Chair

Liaisons:

Eleen Trang, Section Liaison

Excused

Kameron Kirkevold, Trustee

Katie Hurt, Legislative Co-Chair

Megan Farr, Immediate Past Chair

Michael Longyear, Outreach/Mentorship Co-Chair

Sage Graves, Legislative Co-Chair

Suzanne Thompson Winingar, CLE Co-Chair

Miriam Ayoub, Grants Co-Chair

Ronald St. Hilaire, Grants Co-Chair

Welcome, Announcements and Minutes

Karen brought the meeting to order. Karen noted that we will need to vote on the minutes from the Section's annual meeting next year. Eleen needs to get a copy of the minutes when they are approved for the Bar historical record and in order to cut a check for the donation to the Peter Greenfield internship.

Carla moved approval of the meeting minutes from the August conference call. Lisa seconded. The motion passed and the August meeting minutes were approved.

Karen is monitoring the restructuring of the Bar and funds going forward. The proposal to reorganize the Bar is now public – See the article in the Seattle Times.

Treasurer's Report

Matt summarized his Treasurer's report. We had \$22,838.75 in income, \$15,985.29 in expenses for a net income of \$6,853.46. These numbers do not reflect semina splits or the donation to Columbia Legal Services.

Outreach/Mentorship

Ann reported on the fun event last week. We did some fund raising for the Peter Greenfield internship. It would be good to work on providing mentorship activities to build the elder law bar. If interested in developing more mentorship opportunities, members are welcome to contact Ann.

CLE Update

No update this month.

Communications

Lisa reported that communications are continuing. She went to the CLE which was relatively well-attended and seemed to go well.

Grants

No report this month.

Legislative Update

Sage and Megan are meeting with judges to discuss issues.

We received an email from Ron Nettleton with a small number of proposed changes to the uniform guardianship act. It looks like the legislation to adopted the uniform guardianship act is moving forward. Mark reported that Jamie Pedersen responded positively to suggested changes. The subcommittee from the Executive Committee is not trying to rewrite the Act, just to make it more Washington-friendly. Karen recommended that the CLE co-chairs work on providing a CLE for the new Act. The WULC website will have the most updated version online.

Carla asked if the Uniform Guardianship Act was going this year, and Mark replied that the Legislature is moving quite quickly on the legislation. Karen noted that it is moving quickly especially on the Senate side. Senator Jenkins has been holding hearings, though it is unclear how closely she is working with Senator Pedersen. We will need to come up with new forms very quickly – particularly with regard to new terminology such as conservatorship and temporary guardianships. “Conservatorship” may not be adopted, but if it is, hopefully the Legislature will delay the effective date in order for us to meet new requirements and deal with new procedures.

Upcoming Events and Meetings:

Open Sections Night is on January 31, 2019.

The date of the fall retreat will be November 30th at the Ranier Club.

There will be no conference call in November because we will be having the retreat.

Outstanding expense reports need to get in ASAP.

Adjourned: 12:57 p.m.