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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE OREGON STATE BAR FAMILY LAW SECTION

February 19, 2015 Meeting

Present:

Debra Dority -- Chair

Members at large:

Jennifer Currin, Kimberly Quach, Andrew Ivers, Jennifer Brown, Laura Rufolo, Stephanie Wilson, Zachary Fruchtengarten, and Melinda Thomas.

Absent:

Lauren Saucy, Murray Petitt, Sarah Silberger

and Melinda Thomas

Also Participating:

John Hudson

The meeting took place telephonically.

Call to Order. The Chair began the meeting at 3:04 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes. The Committee unanimously approved the January 15, 2015 meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report. Zach reported that there have been no monthly reports since November but that he expects to receive the reports by mid-March.

2015 Annual Meeting. 7 speakers are confirmed including Stacey Smith (QDRO issues), Ryan Carty (Legislative Updates), Jeffrey Barlow (Ethics), Jessica McConnell, and Joseph Shaw (National Speaker); the committee is also working on putting together an Elder Abuse topic so that members can receive Elder Abuse CLE credit.

Website. There was a discussion about whether it was important to make sure the website was mobile phone responsive. It was determined that we would follow up with the website committee to see if it was sufficiently mobile phone responsive.

There was a suggestion that the professionalism award criteria and recognition of past winners should be moved to a more conspicuous place within the Family Law Section website. Currently, the professionalism award information and past winners are listed towards the bottom of the "About" page. There was discussion that it costs money to add another "tab" such as if we added a tab titled "Professionalism Award." It was decided that the website committee would look into the cost of adding a tab so that we could discuss at a later

meeting whether we could afford to (and whether we would want to) "purchase" a new tab.

Future Contract Negotiations with Sunriver. It was reported that negotiations were nearly complete in finalizing the contract for the 2016 annual event with Sunriver.

There was a discussion on the number of rooms that were reserved and whether we would need more or less. It was agreed that we would stick with the proposed number of rooms reserved.

It was asked whether we could take out the resort tax and the community assessment in the attrition clause on page 6. Even if Sunriver was not willing to make this change, the Committee approved the proposed contract with Sunriver.

It was discussed that there be an announcement at Salishan this year to start people thinking about making plans for the next year in Sunriver (2016).

Professionalism Award. There was no report regarding the professionalism award.

Hardship Policy. There was no report regarding the Hardship Policy.

Adoption Subcommittee. It was announced that there is a vacant seat on the Adoption subcommittee and that discussions on filling the vacant seat would take place at the next meeting.

It was clarified that the new name for the adoption subcommittee was **The Standing Committee for Adoption and Assisted Reproductive Technology Law.**

Legislative Subcommitte. There was no report.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:45 p.m.

These minutes were prepared by Jennifer Currin, 2015 Secretary to the Oregon State Bar Family Law Section Executive Committee.

Jennifer E. Currin

The next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.