

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE OREGON STATE BAR FAMILY LAW SECTION

February 15, 2018

Present:	Chair:	Jennifer Brown
	Chair Elect:	Stephanie Wilson
	Treasurer:	Zachary Fruchtengarten
	Secretary:	Amanda C. Thorpe
	Members at large:	Debra Dority, Andrew D. Ivers, Keri Smith, Annelisa Smith, Christine Constantino
	Absent:	Jennifer Currin, Murray Petitt, Kimberly Quach, Shannon Snow
	Also Participating:	Susan Grabe, Ryan Carty

The meeting took place telephonically.

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

Approval of Minutes. The minutes from the previous executive meeting and business meeting are approved, with the revision that Ryan Carty is “also participating” not a “member at large”.

Treasurer's Report. The budget has been ratified. Currently we are operating on the low end of budget, but membership dues are coming in. There were significant deposits just paid for the 2018 and 2019 conferences.

Continuing Business:

1. **Website Subcommittee:** Minutes have been uploaded. The committee discussed the upload of conference materials. It was requested that the name of the chair person and committee contacts be updated.
2. **Legislative Subcommittee:** The family law related legislation has been received but FLEC review is not needed.
3. **Professionalism Subcommittee:** No update.
4. **Hardship Policy Subcommittee:** The surplus will be used as the source of funds. The availability of the hardship assistance will be added to the website and requests will be considered on a case by case basis.
5. **2018 Conference Update:** Committee met and is in the process of selecting speakers and topics. There is an anticipated use of “hot topics” shorter subjects likely presented by one or a couple presenters intermittently to break things up and provide information on smaller subjects. Discussion of Barlow as moderator. More rooms are needed and will be addressed.
6. **Annual Conference Location:** No update, anticipate meeting soon.
7. **New Business:**

- a. Futures Task Force Report- Bar is proceeding with paraprofessionals. The Board is meeting soon and will put forth our members.
- b. Discussion of attendance. Reminder that attendance is important and necessary and the by laws provide that upon a certain number of absences the seat will be considered vacant.
- c. Discussion of the listserv. There continue to be issues and unrest on the listserv. There are options available including determining new rules for use and consequences, including suspending use. The Committee should consider implementing a new policy or consequences.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:41 p.m.

These minutes were prepared by Amanda C. Thorpe, 2018 Secretary to the Oregon State Bar Family Law Section Executive Committee.

/s/Amanda C. Thorpe

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The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday March 15th at 3:00 p.m. via telephone conference.