

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OREGON STATE BAR FAMILY LAW SECTION

May 16, 2019

Present: Chair: Stephanie Wilson
Chair Elect: Amanda Thorpe (absent)
Treasurer: Zachary Fruchtengarten
Secretary: Annelisa Smith
Past Chair: Jennifer J. Brown (absent)

Members at large: Debra Dority, Keri Smith, Shannon Snow, Kimberly Quach, Jennifer Currin

Absent: Amanda Thorpe, Jennifer Brown, Murray Pettit

Also Participating: Ryan Carty

The meeting took place telephonically.

Call to Order. The Chair began the meeting at 3:03 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes. The April minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report and Approval of Budget. Zachary Fruchtengarten. We are very close to our budge and picked up about 99 new members. Discussion of increasing dues and surplus.

Continuing Business:

Website Subcommittee. No update. Access needs to be granted.

Legislative Subcommittee. Ryan

318 is the joint parenting time bill. The bill as currently drafted, and the version that has made its way through, states that the court has the ability to order joint parenting time. The substance of change: if a party requests equal parenting time, and the court after a hearing declines to order equal parenting time, the court must support its decision with written findings. This is not a significant change to what happens now. This bill has already passed out of senate and house judiciary committee. It is headed for a floor vote and will likely be passed and signed.

356 allows the court to include, nonspecifically, that a custodial parent must provide notice and an opportunity to comment to the non-custodial parent. This bill will likely become law.

385 allows the presiding judge of each judicial district to establish a voluntary alternative dispute resolution process in modification and enforcement proceedings. This bill will likely wind up law.

SB1011 is mirrored dafter a California law that if an individual is convicted of attempted murder or conspiracy to attempt murder, this may be a basis to modify spousal support. This bill is scheduled for a work session on the house next.

Awards Subcommittee. No report

Hardship Subcommittee. No Report.

2019 Annual Conference. Shannon. The schedule is finalized, and food is ordered. Shannon is working on vendors and is ahead of schedule.

List serve Update. Amanda was absent but provided a brief report. A few members have asked to be removed from the list and Amanda sent instructions. They were encouraged to sign up for the digest version. Only one reason was given for someone leaving the list serve and it was because they were retiring from practice.

New Members. Jennifer C. 4 names have been submitted as nominations for the committee. The committee will investigate and report back. Additional nominees may be made to Jennifer.

NEW BUSINESS:

BOG – Approved Policy Changes. Sections may not vote via email between meetings as this does not comply with the meeting rules. There may be some conflict with FLEC bylaws which allows for voting via email. This issue will be investigated and discussed later.

May 23 is the new lawyer swearing in ceremony and we discussed sending someone to be present. This essentially involves acting as a sponsor of the event and is relatively expensive. We decided not to send a representative.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:38 p.m.

These minutes were prepared by Annelisa D. Smith, 2019 Secretary of the Oregon State Bar Family Law Section Executive Committee.

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The next meeting is scheduled for June ___, 2019 at __:00 p.m. in person. Location and time TBA