

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OREGON STATE BAR FAMILY LAW SECTION
OCTOBER 12, 2024 MINUTES**

Present: Shallon Martin, President Elect
Alexander M. Jones, Secretary
Kristi Skalman, Treasurer

Members at Large: Kayla Steindorf, Brittany Berkey, Shala Kudlac, Annelisa Smith, Amanda Thorpe, and Adam Shelton. (Absent: Hon. Keri Smith, Kacie Bitzenburg, Seth Hantke, Laura Eckstein, and Patrick Melendy).

Others Present: Matt Shields, Oregon State Bar

Call to Order. Shallon Martin, President-Elect, called the meeting to order at approximately 7:14 a.m. and the meeting took place in person at Salishan. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes. Adam Shelton moved to approve the August 2024 meeting minutes, Kayla Steindorf seconded, the motion passed unanimously. Kayla Steindorf moved to approve the September 2024 meeting minutes, Kristi Skalman seconded, that motion also passed unanimously.

Continuing Business:

1. Treasurer's Report- Kristi Skalman. The was a brief review of the proposed new budget to verify that the Section is complying with the Oregon State Bar requirements, and to make sure we would hit the financial numbers that would best benefit the Section. Amanda Thorpe weighed in on her past experiences as Treasurer dealing with the Oregon State Bar and the waiver processes if we were over the amount the Section was allowed to rollover. Continued discussion was had on needing to make sure we are under the reserve number required by the Oregon State Bar and if not whether a waiver would be obtained. There was a brief comparison of the 2025 budget and expected charges verses, the last year budget (2024). The budget is due next Tuesday. Kristi Skalman moved to approve the proposed budget, Annelisa seconded, budget was approved unanimously. Kristi Skalman moved to approve the filing of a waiver just in case, Kayla seconded, the motion was approved unanimously.

2. Conference Subcommittee Update – Kayla Steindorf. Brief update. We are at the conference, things are going well, only a slight issue with the internet. Feedback so far was positive on the conference.

3. Awards Subcommittee Update – Brittany Berkey. Discussed success of the award ceremony yesterday. There was an award for Hon. Keri Smith for running the FLEC, but she was not present. Discussed getting more nominations next year and everyone was encouraged to think of ways to get more nominations.

4. Legislative Subcommittee Update. - Everyone. Discussed current work groups on various outstanding issues. The FLEC is not going to weigh in on these issues.

5. Family Law Newsletter. - Amanda Thorpe. Still working on contract

6. Conference Relocation Subcommittee - Alexander M. Jones and Amanda Thorpe. We need to make an announcement that the conference for next year is the 23rd and 24th at Sunriver. Amanda spearheaded getting the contract taken care of and the Bar had approved the contract.

New Business:

1. **Conference Subcommittee Chair for 2025.** There was a nomination was for the new chair, the decision to select Kristi Skalman appeared unanimous.

2. **FLEC Elections and Officer Slate.** A discussion was had on the election process for upcoming for FLEC and the Officer Slate.

3. **Bar Dues for the Section.** A discussion was had on the current bar dues for the section and the consensus was that the Section was going to raise dues from \$30.00 per year.

Next Meeting: November 7, 2024 via Zoom.

Adjournment of Meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 a.m.

Minutes prepared by: Alexander M. Jones, Secretary to the Oregon State Bar Family Law Section Executive Committee.