

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
FAMILY LAW SECTION, OREGON STATE BAR  
December 4, 2025**

**Present:** Shallon Martin, Chair  
Alexander Jones, Incoming Chair  
Adam Shelton, Treasurer  
Kayla Steindorf, Secretary  
Hon. Keri Smith, Past Chair (absent)

Members at Large: Jessica May, Amanda Thorpe, Brittany Berkey, John Michael Meyers, Stefanie Burke

Bar Liaison: Avery Pickard (present)

BOG Contact: John Marandas (absent)

**Absent:** Kristi Skalman, Andrew Levine, Patrick Melendy, Katherine Denning,

**Call to Order:** The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. The meeting took place via zoom. A quorum was present following late joining of several members.

**Approval of Minutes:** Because there was not a quorum at the time the issue arose, approval of the Minutes of the Family Law Section Executive Committee (FLEC) meeting held in November 2025, were not voted on.

**Treasurer's Report:** Adam Shelton reported that the budget was submitted to the Bar. The family law conference this year was substantially more expensive this year than it has been in prior years, so the budget needs to be increased for next year. We should consider increasing registration fees for next year. Discussion regarding reserve funds carried over and costs of conference over time.

**Continuing Business:**

**1. Conference Location**

- **Dates: October 8-10, 2026**
- Amanda Thorpe reports regarding updates about Salishan vs Sunriver
  - Salishan's offer is very similar to previous years; very responsive to inquiries
  - Discussion differences in cost between venues over time for food and beverage, audio and visual, and other costs
  - Preference regarding cost, facilities, etc., weigh for Salishan
  - Amanda Thorpe will get in contact with Salishan to negotiate A/V cost and food minimums
  - Note: Ensure that we discuss budget and raising dues at the September meeting next year

- Kayla Steindorf moved and John Micheal Meyers seconded motion to have conference at Salishan next year. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Amanda Thorpe, Shallin Martin, and Kayla Steindorf consulted multiple inter-faith calendars to determine that there are no conflicts with these dates

**2. Awards Subcommittee:**

- No report

**3. Legislative Subcommittee:**

- Amanda Thorpe reported that there are really interesting changes coming in child support
- Shallon Martin reported that deadline for 2027 is April 1, 2026
- Amanda Thorpe reported that major issue will be fine tuning language regarding restraining order contact by attorneys
- Avery Pickard reported that it may behoove us to speak with SFLAC; seems that SFLAC is not preparing language for legislation

**4. Family Law Newsletter:**

- No report

**New Business: No new business**

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** on January 8, 2026, at noon via Zoom

Minutes prepared by Kayla Steindorf, Secretary.