

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
FAMILY LAW SECTION, OREGON STATE BAR
June 5, 2025**

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

Members at Large: Kristi Skalman (arriving late), John Michael Meyers, Stefanie Burke, Shala Kudlac, Andrew Levine, Patrick Melendy, Amanda Thorpe, Katherine Denning

Bar Liaison: Avery Pickard

BOG Contact: John Marandas (absent)

Absent: Brittany Berkey, Laura Eckstein

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m. The meeting took place via hybrid meeting on Zoom and in person. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the Family Law Section Executive Committee (FLEC) meeting held in May 2025 were circulated in advance of the meeting. Alexander Jones noted a misspelling that was corrected. Adam Shelton moved to approve the minutes. Alexander Jones seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved, with Kayla Steindorf abstaining.

Treasurer's Report – Adam Shelton

- The next thing will be the next payment to Sunriver.
- Financials have been distributed.

Continuing Business:

- 1. Conference Subcommittee Update – Kristi Skalman (Chair), Kayla Steindorf, Patrick Melendy, Alexander Jones, Katherine Denning**
 - Adam Shelton reported updates regarding judges panel.
- 2. Awards Subcommittee Update – Brittany Berkey, Adam Shelton**
 - Adam Shelton reported that the subcommittee has only received two applications for the professor award that were circulated before the meeting
 - Discussion regarding awarding one of the applicants the professionalism award.
 - Discussion regarding amending the rules to allow carry-over applicants from previous years.
 - Plan to vote on nominations to occur next meeting.

- 3. Legislative Subcommittee Update – Amanda Thorpe, John Michael Meyers**
 - Discussion regarding legislation including new items and upcoming issues
 - No movement yet on 50/50 parenting time.
 - There will be a definition of immediate danger and psychological damage.
- 4. Family Law Newsletter – Amanda Thorpe, Stefanie Burke, Shala Kudlac**
 - Plan to solicit writings for submission.
- 5. FLEC Involvement Related to Legislation**
 - Amanda Thorpe reported memoranda distributed before the meeting.
 - Essentially, the section is unable to advocate for anything controversial.
 - Discussion regarding revisiting taking a position, taking a neutral position, and/or polling the section members and reporting results at public hearing, logistics issues, timing issues.
- 6. FTR Update – Avery Pickard**
 - N/A
- 7. Filling Open FLEC Position – Patrick Melendy**
 - Patrick Melendy moved to fill position with am seconds Jessica May. Adam Shelton seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.
- 8. Conference Rooms – Patrick Melendy**
 - Everyone needs to contact Patrick Melendy regarding room reservation information for the conference.
- 9. Conference Vendors – Alexander Jones**
 - Alexander Jones reported that we still need to meet to discuss the cost for vendors; if anyone has any vendors, send them to Alexander Jones.

New Business:

1. Brief discussion regarding conference dates and advertising.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Next Meeting: July 10, 2025, by Zoom at noon.

Minutes prepared by Kayla Steindorf, Secretary.