

LITIGATION SECTION GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting on June 20, 2014

1. **Attendance:** Proper notice having been given, the following Council members attended in person: Joseph Pirtle, Emil Berg, Howard Belodoff, and Scott Randolph. Others in attendance were: Robert Bilow, Kirk Cheney, Ritchie Eppink, Clayton Gill, Kevin Griffiths, Blake Hill, Dana Herberholz, Emily Mac Master, Kendall McDevitt, Paul McFarland, Alex McLaughlin, Clinton Miner, Jason Prince, Sanja Prutina, Randall Schmitz, Mahmood Sheikh, Walt Sinclair, and Slade Sokel. By phone: Brian DeFriez and Benjamin Ritchie.

2. **Business Meeting:** Joseph Pirtle conducted the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting on May 16, 2014. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Gene Petty was not present so Joseph Pirtle provided an overview of the Section's finances and budget. The Section is in good financial shape and expenditures are consistent with budget. No change in the financial condition of the Section is expected in the near term. Next year's Trial Skills training will result in a loss but will not adversely affect the financial situation of Section.

4. **New Business:**

A. ISB Annual Meeting: July 16-18, 2014 Pocatello/Fort Hall. Joe Pirtle indicated the Election of officers and council members for 2014/2015 would take place at the ISB Annual Meeting.

B. The Officers and Council recommended the following slate of officers and council members:

Officers for 2014/2015:

Chairperson – Howard Belodoff

Vice Chairperson – Emil Berg

Treasurer – Clay Gill

Secretary – Chad Bernards

At-Large Governing Council Members – 2014-2017:

Ben Ritchie

Clinton Miner

Alex McLaughlin

An email was previously sent to all Section members for further nominations. A vote will take place at Annual Meeting.

C. ISB Annual Meeting: July 16-18, 2014 Pocatello/Fort Hall. The Section will sponsor on July 17, 2013 at 3:00 P.M. a presentation by Judge Wood on Advancing Justice: Model Time Standards. He will also answer questions.

D. Section Meeting in August: A motion was made and seconded that the Section not schedule a general meeting in August. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The

Governing Council will have a business meeting in August so officers and council members can plan events and meetings for the next year.

E. Sponsorship of August 2014 Advocate: Joseph Pirtle thanked the four members of the section, Emil Berg, Paul McFarland, Ted Reuter and Josh Evett, for writing articles.

F. Joseph Pirtle passed out a handout and reviewed the Lawyer's Assistance Program.

G. Joseph Pirtle spoke about his experience participating in the Idaho Academy of Leadership for Lawyers. The first year teaches leadership skills and the second year requires a community project that can be non law related. Applications are due by August 1, 2014.

5. **CLE Presentation:** Scott Randolph and Jason Prince presented a CLE on Federal Rule 26(f), Development in E-Discovery, Preservation Obligations and the Evolving Discovery Landscape in Civil Litigation.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.