

MINUTES
Child Protection Section
Friday, January 22, 2021• 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Via Teleconference/Videoconference

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting called to order at 12:00p by Chairperson Carlson.
- II. **Approve Minutes from October 23, 2020 meeting)** Moved and seconded. Unanimously approved.
- III. **Financial Update** – Secretary/Treasurer Ellis reported that the Section’s current balance as of 10/31/20 is \$9,232.00
- IV. **Old Business**
 - Access to Justice Donation Response. Access to Justice Chairperson Mauk thanked the ISB CP Section for its donation.
 - The CP Section will be co-sponsoring The Advocate in February, 2022 with the Indian Law Section. The CP Section will need to provide 2-3 articles for that issue. Any volunteers should contact Chairperson Carlson.
- V. **New Business**
 - A. Upcoming, Free CLES with Volunteer Speakers:
 - February 26, 2021: Jack Trope, Senior Director of the Indian Child Welfare Program with the Casey Family Programs, will speak on the attorney’s role in the courtroom specific to Qualified Expert Witness testimony.
 - March 26, 2021: Bradley Andrews, Bar Counsel, Idaho State Bar, will speak on the issue of what to do if your client stops communicating with you.
 - April 23, 2021: Spring Conference & Section Annual Meeting/Elections
 - May 28, 2021: Christina Bruce Bennion & Salome Mwangi, Idaho Office of Refugees, will speak on special issues attorneys should know when representing refugees.
 - June 25, 2021: Taylor Numedahl from CARES/St. Luke’s to discuss forensic interviews of children.
 - B. Spring Conference Update: Will take place on 4/23/21. Half day conference in the morning, with three (3) speakers and one (1) panel discussion. Topics include Child Abuse Referrals, Appellate Update and Case Review of successful appeal by a GAL to the Idaho Supreme Court, plus Panel Discussion re: representing GALs in CP cases.
 - C. ISB Annual Meeting CLE Proposal – The CP Section has been invited to submit proposals for CLE presentation at the ISB Annual Meeting in in July 2021 in Boise. Anyone interested should submit proposals to the Governing Council by middle of March 2021.
 - D. Collaboration with Foster Care Awareness Day: February 4, 2021. A fifteen (15) minute video presentation prepared by Janice Beller and Judge Ellis will be included in Foster Care Awareness Day on-line event.

- E. Collaboration with CARTF & the Idaho Children's Trust Fund Conference: March 15-17, 2021. ISB CP Section will present a panel discussion on 3/16/21.
- F. The section is seeking volunteer help to update the CP Section website.

VI. Free CLE:

- o Kristen Nate, Program Specialist for the Department of Health & Welfare: "*Assisting Your Clients in Court: Independent Living Services for Teenagers in Foster Care.*" .50 hours CLE pending.

VII. Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m. The next meeting is February 26, 2021 at noon.