



ISB LITIGATION SECTION
Meeting Minutes
Friday, January 18, 2019

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LITIGATION SECTION**

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1. Introduction. Randy Schmitz called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

2. Financial Update. Randy reported that the proposed 2019 budget was approved at the November 28, 2018 Executive Committee meeting.

3. Trial Skills Academy.

a. Budget. Randy reported that the budget for the 2019 Trial Skills Academy was approved at the November 28, 2018 Executive Committee meeting. The Academy, a section-sponsored event that occurs every other year, provides newer attorneys with trial skill education from local practitioners at a lower cost than training conducted by national organizations. The Academy is not a revenue-generating event for the Section and generally operates at a loss that is covered by other revenue streams; the budgeted loss for 2019 is \$2,225. For 2019, attendance is \$375 for non-members, \$300 for members, and \$250 for individuals with less than five years of practice.

b. Request for scholarships. Wendy Olsen, on behalf of the Trial Skills Academy Committee has requested the section to approve an additional \$750 for the Trial Skills Academy budget in order to provide scholarships for two individuals to attend who would benefit from the academy but otherwise could not attend, for example Legal Aid attorneys or attorneys from small municipalities. A motion was made to approve the scholarships; the motion was seconded; a vote was called and the motion passed.

4. Section-sponsored CLEs. Randy reported that the section periodically sponsors CLEs that generate income from attendance fees and ongoing royalties. Royalties cease after five years and it has been more than five years since the last section-sponsored



CLE. Randy requested volunteers to form a CLE subcommittee to plan a CLE for the July 2019 national meeting in Boise, as well as others for the upcoming years. No volunteers emerged and Randy asked section members to contact him by email if willing to assist with this project.

5. The Advocate. The Litigation Section is scheduled to sponsor the August 2019 issue. All Section members are encouraged to begin thinking of potential topics. We still need 5-6 articles. The first draft is due in June 2019. Randy requested the section members to consider volunteering and to contact him directly.
6. Lunch CLE: Pretrial Motions. Alyson Foster presented a ½-credit CLE on Pretrial Motions.
7. The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

February 15, 2019: Section meeting; CLE: Experts (Michael Hanby). Location: 525 W. Jefferson Street, Boise, Idaho, Second Floor (participation via telephone conference is also available).