

FAMILY LAW SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

BY TELEPHONIC CONFERENCE

MINUTES OF May 27, 2009 Meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions by Chairman Linda Pall. Linda announced that Debra Alsaker-Burke has been named as the 2009 Lawyer of Distinction.
2. May 27, 2009 Meeting Minutes were approved.
3. Treasurer's Report revealed a balance of \$44,587.00 and was approved.

Chair's Report:

There was a meeting of the Section chairs wherein a policy proposal regarding Section funding was presented. The proposal is that certain Section funds be turned over to the Bar's general fund. Terri Muse gave an overview as to how the policy came about. Discussion followed.

Linda requested approval to write a letter to the Bar Commissioners, requesting our input into this policy and an opportunity to comment. The Council approved.

Linda stated that we are unable, at this time to provide a donation to the Idaho Mediation Association. Linda further suggested that all entities requesting donations place their request in September of each year.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Reports:

List Serve: The list serve is popular and helpful to Section members.

Survey Committee: Fred Zundel reported that the survey has been sent out. This survey will close on June 12th. Fred and Deborah are deserving of praise for their efforts on this committee.

Legislative and Rules Committee: Nothing to report at this time.

CLE Committee: Audrey Numbers thanked Debra Alsaker-Burke for her work on the April CLE's. Audrey reported that John Cutler from Idaho Falls has joined the CLE Committee. There will be three CLE's around the State in October, which will feature training sessions for lawyers who don't normally practice in the family law area.

The CLE Committee has been broken down into sub committees:

Audrey Numbers, Tore Beal-Gwartney and Lyle Eliassen are working on forms, which are being compiled by Liz Brandt's assistant.

Audrey and Kirsten Dutcher are working on a basic outline for CLE's.

Judge Simpson suggested a traveling show regarding informal custody trials, but

this will not occur in the Fall.

The following was moved:

CLE will cost \$175.00 to attend, with a free handbook.

IVLP and Legal Aid attorneys will be able to attend our CLE s free.

Law students may attend for the cost of materials or \$25.00

Speakers may attend free

A motion to accept this policy was made and discussion followed.

The motion was amended to allow Judges and Public Service attorneys free admission. The amended motion passed.

A motion to permit Section members to be admitted to our CLE's at a 25% reduced fee passed.

The summer CLE, presented by Jeff Christiansen and Steve Severn, on using 1040's in discovery, will occur at the Annual Meeting on July 9. A book on the topic, purchased from the ABA, will be given as a prize.

A reception will be held in the evening of Thursday, July 9 to honor the recipient of the Family Law Award of Distinction, Debra Alsaker-Burke. Place to be announced.

#### NEW BUSINESS::

Strategic Plan: The Strategic Planning Session, under the direction of Kent Fletcher and Linda Pall will take place on July 8, 2009. Please send your hot topics for consideration to either Linda or Kent.

A motion was made and passed that Section members will be reimbursed for expenses incurred in attending committee meetings and Family Law business.

The next meeting will be a telephonic meeting on June 17, 2009 Meeting adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lois K. Fletcher