

**ISB GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC LAWYERS SECTION
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 1, 2011 MEETING**

I. CALL TO ORDER – INTRODUCTIONS

President Scott Keim called the meeting of the Idaho State Bar Government and Public Sector Lawyers Section to order at noon on Thursday, December 1, 2011. Attending in person were: Loren Anderson, Meghan Conrad, Jenny Grunke, Emily Kane, Scott Keim, Cheryl Meade, Cheri Ruch, and Mike Stoddard. Attending by phone were: Matt Braden, Scot Campbell, Laura Chess, Lorna Jorgensen, Barry Luboviski, Kent Nelson, Nancy Stricklin, David Wynkoop, and Ax Yewer.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. November minutes.** Cheryl Meade moved that the minutes of the November 3, 2011 meeting be approved as prepared by Secretary Emily Kane. Jenny Grunke seconded the motion. Vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.
- B. CLE Coordinator.** Emily Kane will serve as the section's CLE coordinator for 2012. This function will be added to the duties of the office of section secretary. Laura Chess has done it for two years and has done an outstanding job.
- C. Donations.** Idaho Partners Against Domestic Violence (IPADV) has made its annual request for a contribution from each ISB section. We have previously debated how to approach requests for donations from our section. Emily Kane reported that Article VI of the Government & Public Lawyers Section bylaws, regarding Financial Management, do not provide guidance regarding donations from the section. Article I, section 3, subsection (e) does say that the section is created "to enhance the skills of its members, and to serve the interests of the public. In the furtherance of these objectives, this Section shall...(e) engage in such other activities not hereinabove enumerated which are consistent with the objectives of the section." In sum, donations from the section are not prohibited where such donation would further the objectives of the section. Jenny Grunke read the mission of the IPADV: "a non-profit 501(c)(3) dedicated to preventing domestic violence through community awareness and promoting access for victims of domestic violence to the judicial system by increasing the number of legal services and volunteer attorneys available to represent them." Laura Chess moved to donate \$250 to IPADV. Emily Kane stated that this seemed like a large donation without criteria in place for how much we should donate. Scott Keim stated that only \$200 is budgeted for donations. Laura Chess amended her motion to donate \$200 instead. Nancy Stricklin seconded the motion. Vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

III. NEW BUSINESS

(None)

IV. TODAY'S CLE (APPROVED FOR 0.5 HOURS CREDIT)

Kent Nelson, of the University of Idaho, presented a half-hour CLE entitled "Issues Facing University Counsel."

V. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Idaho State Bar Government and Public Sector Lawyers Section will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2012, at noon, at the Idaho State Bar Law Center, 525 West Jefferson, Boise, Idaho. Brian Kane of the Idaho Attorney General's Office will provide a half-hour CLE entitled "2012 Legislative Preview."

Other upcoming CLEs: February 2, 2012, noon, ISB: Anne Wilde, Employment Law in the Public Sector
March 1, 2012, noon, ISB: Andrew Ellis, Child Protection Laws & Processes

VI. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.