

MINUTES
Child Protection Section
Friday, March 24, 2023 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Via Teleconference/Videoconference

- **Call to Order** – Meeting called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Chairperson Janice Beller
- **Approve Minutes from February 24, 2023.** Unanimously approved without changes or corrections.
- **Financial Update** – Secretary/Treasurer Spalding reported that the Section’s current balance has not been changed or updated since the beginning of the calendar year, with the possible exception of section dues funding.
- **Old Business**
 - a. Budget submitted for vote after recommended to the body with a “Do-Pass” recommendation from the Governing Council. The proposed budget was approved by a majority vote.
 - b. Membership Survey – Ms. Beller thanked those who responded, roughly half of the membership. The survey is now closed.
- **New Business**
 - a. Nominations have been submitted. Stacy Pittman was nominated for the chairperson position. John Spalding was nominated for the Secretary/Treasurer position. Vice-Chair Kyle Bringhurst was nominated for the for vice-chairperson position. Each of the following persons were nominated for at-large positions: Briana Allen, Karen Jennings, Jessalyn Hopkin, Amey Ballard, and Matthew Hamilton. The floor was opened for additional nominations. No new nominations were made and they are now closed.
 - b. On April 3, emails will go out from the bar, containing a link to a ballot. Voting will remain open until April 14, 2023. The bar will tally votes and pass the results to the Governing Council. The results will be announced at the next section meeting on April 28.
- **Announcements**
 - a. Idaho Children at Risk Task Force is hosting a training conference on June 12-13 at the Riverside in Boise. Some scholarships available for travel and lodging the conference is otherwise free. The topic is “Inside the Courtroom from Removal to Resolution.” There are plenary and breakout sections.
 - b. The April CLE will be presented by Associate Bar Counsel Caralee Lambert, titled “Ethical Considerations for Parent Representation in Child Protection Cases.”
 - c. The May CLE will be presented by Carissa Decker and Andie Blackwood. They will address updated Department procedures following the Idaho Supreme Court ruling governing the applicability of ICPC to parents in IDHW v. Doe, Docket No. 49971.
- **CLE** – Judge Meulenberg presented a CLE titled is “Ask a Judge: Views from the Bench.” CLE .5 pending.

- a. **Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m. The next meeting will include a CLE titled “Ethical Considerations for Parent Representation in Child Protection Cases.” The meeting was scheduled for 4/28/23 at noon.