

## IDAHO APPELLATE PRACTICE SECTION

### GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MEETING

January 10, 2019

### MINUTES

*(Approved 2/14/2019)*

**Location:** Stoel Rives, 101 S Capitol Blvd, #1900, Boise, ID 83702

**Attending:** Brian Dickson (Chair), Kim Coster (Secretary/Treasurer), Jaycee Nall (Court Representative), Christine Salmi, Stephen Adams, Brian Church, Chris Graham, Ben McGreevy, Ted Tollefson

**By Phone:** None

**Other:** None.

1. **Approved Minutes** - Members approved Minutes of November 8, 2018 Council Meeting, and Minutes of December 13, 2018 Member Meeting (minutes now posted on Bar's website)

2. **Budget Decisions**

Brian advised members that draft budget not yet completed; deadline is before next regularly-scheduled meeting, so he will call a Special Meeting in the next few days for that purpose.

3. **Event Planning Reports**

- a. **Meet and Greet**

**Boise**, April 25, 2019. Ben updated members. Bar sent out "Save the Date"; formal invitations to be mailed all current & retired state appellate judges, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> district judges. Bar to print these; Ben asked for input re formatting/design.

- b. **Moscow** April (3<sup>rd</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup>) Court's set its term but not its cases. Section representative TBD; if member(s) will be appearing for argument, then those members may serve as Section rep. Time of event TBD. Once the time & date are set, will need to send out a "Save the Date" to attorneys in those district. Section to invite judges from 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> districts.

Jaycee informed members that Justice Stegner has graciously agreed to speak & seems open to opportunities; members thrilled and discussed several events. Asked Jaycee to inquire of Justice re extent to which we may take advantage of his offer.

- c. **Law Student Recruiting** - Kim reported. We are still in discussion with CU & UofI. Idea is still to have Serena present on Standards of Review for LRW 2<sup>nd</sup> semester students.

- d. **Collaboration CLE with Litigation Section** – Leslie informed members that the date for Appellate presentation would be **May 7, 2019**. This is a lunch-time CLE. Christine reminded members of need to be mission-consistent, i.e., our Council Member(s) should also promote benefits of IAPS membership; promote Appellate Handbook; promote upcoming CLE, etc.
- e. **Handbook Update** – Christopher P. Proposed dividing up Handbook by chapters; some are in need of formatting over-hall, in addition to making material’s current. Kim & Chris volunteered to help.

f. **All Day CLE**

**Date:** We are still looking at **early October**, ideally (Thurs or Fri) 10/10 or 10/11.

**Credits:** full day, 6-CLE credits

**Topic/Themes**

- **strategic choices** a practitioner must make re appeals. (Members liked this!)  
Whether to appeal, which issues to raise; to argue orally  
**Note:** several embers found “brief writing” to be a worn topic, but it was noted that younger/newer/less experienced attorneys haven’t had all the training and are among our target audience/large draw.
- **Oral argument prep**
- **The “new bench.”**
- **Tips for the “hot bench”**
- **When things go wrong** (with “bench slaps”).
- **Remedies within rules.**

**Speaker:** TBD. If theme is “strategy” then desire is for a currently practicing attorney vs. academic. Someone who can speak to experience, strategic choices made, etc. Re: new bench, members discussed possibility of having Justice Stegner other willing members, speak.

**Location:** Desire to “go big”

- **accommodate 100 + attendees.**
- **Venue to have adjacent (or very nearby) reception area (so we don’t lose folks this year.**
- **Cost is always an issue.**

Members suggested Lincoln Auditorium (Senate-side Capitol Bldg); UofI Law & Justice Learning Center; Ada Co. Commissioner room; Concordia Law School; Private firms; hotels.

**Budget:** We are thinking “go big.” Budget for national speaker for large draw.

4. **Other Business**

5. **Upcoming Meetings**

February 14, 2019 (Governing Council)

March \_\_, 2019 (Governing Council)

April 11, 2019 (Membership Meeting)

**Meeting adjourned.** 1:10 pm.

