

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
COMMERCIAL LAW AND BANKRUPTCY SECTION OF THE IDAHO STATE BAR**

December 19, 2018

Board Members Present: **Tecla Druffel**
 Bob Faucher
 Patrick Geile
 Savi Grewal
 Paul Ross
 Brian Tucker

Other Attendees: **Mahmood Sheikh**

An agenda had been delivered prior to the meeting. The agenda, including substantial materials regarding the Burley 2019 seminar, is attached.

1. Call to Order.

Ms. Caval not being in attendance, Ms. Druffel called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

- a. Roll was taken. A quorum was present.
- b. Ms. Druffel asked Bob Faucher to serve as secretary for the meeting.

2. Seminar – Committee Approach

In an item not on the agenda, Paul Ross raised the idea of responsibility for the seminar being shared among a three-person committee, rather than being borne by a single person, as has historically been the practice. Mr. Ross suggested that such a committee would consist of the Vice Chair; the Chair; and the Secretary/Treasurer. Stated otherwise, the committee would consist of the person with lead responsibility (the Vice Chair), the person who had most recently directed the conference (the Chair); and the person who would be in the lead slot the next year (the Secretary/Treasurer).

Bob Faucher, being the person who would otherwise have sole responsibility for the seminar in 2020, expressed his appreciation for Mr. Ross's suggestion and his endorsement of such an approach. Mr. Ross and Ms. Druffel, being the persons who would bear the brunt of the new format in its first year, expressed willingness to assume the proposed roles.

The Board expressed support for the idea, but decided to wait until a future meeting at which time Chair Caval could participate in the discussion. This issue should be regarded as being on the agenda for next month's meeting.

3. 2019 Seminar – Substance.

Mr. Ross lead a detailed discussion of the substantive elements of the proposed 2019 Burley seminar. Mr. Ross has overcome several speakers cancelling recently, at this relatively late date. The Board responded to Mr. Ross's discussion with enthusiasm. No significant modifications to the substantive lineup emerged.

4. 2019 - Finances.

Mr. Ross also lead a discussion of the anticipated finances of the seminar. The finances appearing well thought out, Mr. Ross's proposals for the fees to be charged were approved.

5. Timing of Publication of Seminar Brochure.

Mr. Sheikh suggested the hope that the various elements of the brochure could be finalized this week, and the brochure could be distributed next week.

6. Elections to the Board.

The Board discussed persons who had expressed an interest in serving on the Board from Northern Idaho upon Ms. Grewal rotating off of the board. At least two qualified persons are interested. The Board generally endorsed the idea of nominating both of these qualified persons at the Burley meeting, with a contested election to follow. Of course, further interested parties are more than welcome to seek the position as well.

7. Professionalism Awards.

The Board considered individuals who might be appropriately honored with the Section's professionalism award. After discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously approved three deserving individuals from the respective regions of the State (Northern; Central; Eastern). Ms. Druffel and Mr. Faucher volunteered to undertake efforts to encourage attendance by the two honorees who might not likely be otherwise attending the event.

8. Adjournment.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.