



Idaho State Bar Diversity Practice Section Meeting
May 20, 2022, 12:00 MDT/11:00 PST
Location: Zoom Video Conference

1. Welcome and Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 12:02 PM

2. Action Item: Approval of Past Meeting Minutes (March 25, 2022)

- Motion: S. Ayers, Second: A Courtney. Motion approved.

3. Financial Report—Treasurer

- Financials are in good shape and Jim feels like we are in a solid position compared to this time last year.

4. (7 is moved up to accommodate our guest, Meghan Carter) Action Item: Access to

Justice Fun Walk/Run

- Meghan Carter speaks about the Access to Justice Run that helps support legal aid, volunteer lawyers' program, DisAbility Rights. Requesting a sponsorship from the section. Most sections will donate approximately \$500. Also looking for volunteers and people to participate in the run.
- W. Olsen moves to sponsor in amount of \$500. A. Fulfer seconds. J. Cook and S. Ayers abstain. Motion approved

5. (4) Update: Climate Survey Letter

- L. Samuels provides an update regarding the background on this item. There was a response received in April regarding that wherein it is hopeful that we can do more education and inviting to speak at the convention regarding our concerns and initiatives we have as a section
- W. Olsen suggests a different meeting to discuss there, where more members of the section are present.
- A. Fulfer notes September is the next meeting with the commissioners

- d. W. Olsen inquires when it would be most beneficial for us to do this. A. Fulfer talks about the pros and the cons of doing it in the July or September/October meeting. Perhaps the later would be better since there are new commissioners coming in and we should discuss it with them.
- e. J. Cook also thinks the September/October meeting would be best with the new commissioners coming in. Wonders if we have anything planned for the state bar meeting. As a section, we did not. L. Samuels suggests maybe sending out something to the membership to elicit ideas for that.

6. (5) Update/Action Item: Nominations and Elections

- a. Currently have 2 nominations for vice chair, 1 for secretary/treasurer, 1 at large. Should we put this out to membership at large? Ultimate decision is yes.
- b. Motion to table this until next meeting to allow for email to be send out to membership at large by W. Olsen, Second: J. Cook. Motion approved.

7. (6) Action Item: Potential Financial Donation to Timberline Students for National Speech and Debate Tournament

- a. Concerns were brought up regarding whether there is a diversity tie in with this potential sponsorship.
- b. L. Samuels will reach out to the student as well as section membership regarding potential tie into our mission statement and if individual members want to donate to this.
- c. No vote on this.

8. Love the Law! Updates

- a. No major updates at this time. We should consider a Boise event but would like to do that once we have the new board established

9. Other business or updates

- a. J. Cook notes the troubles with the recent shooting in Buffalo and racial animus. Perhaps we should have a discussion about an event in response to this.

10. Adjourn: 12:45