

Professional and Ethics Section Meeting Minutes August 1, 2017

Jodi N. called the meeting to order. There were three phone participants: Don Burnett, Elizabeth Schierman and Steven Smith.

In the chair report, the 1L Law School Orientation programs were discussed. Concordia's program is to be held on August 12. University of Idaho Moscow's program is to be held August 14. University of Idaho Boise's program is to be held on August 15th. All seems to be set in place and each program has sufficient volunteers/mentors.

The fundraising efforts were also discussed. No real budget report was available, but it was noted that some funds have been received.

The chair also reported on the Richard C. Fields award, with the deadline for receipt of submissions being September 1, 2017. To date, 5 good nominations have been received. The following volunteers will serve on the review committee: Jodi, Bob, Julianne, Jerimiah and Julia.

There was a request for CLE volunteers. Specifically, a request for September 5th at the section meeting. There was also a request for a CLE to be presented to the Environmental and Natural Resource Section on September 27. Bob A. volunteered to do a scaled back version of the CLE he presented at the annual meeting on disability rights for the section meeting on September 5. Jason Spillman also agreed to present a CLE in October or November. Brad agreed to present a CLE on serving on a board on September 27.

The Ethical Happy Hour report was given by Catie. We made a small profit but discussion was had that it was a good marketing program for the section. It was generally discussed that we do need to be aware of the inclusion of alcohol with the event. We will do a LAP commercial at the next event.

Thank you to Elizabeth Schierman, Yvonne Dunbar and Jeremiah Hudson for submission of advocate articles to the September 2017 Advocate.

Also, thank you to Bob Aldridge and Amy Cunningham for their CLE at the annual meeting.

The November CLE was discussed – it will be November 7, 2017 from 8:30 to 10:00am. Potential speakers include Justice Brody and/or Judge Petty. Judge Petty volunteered to ask Justice Brody.

The Rule 8.4 (g) vote was reported. 1/3 of the membership responded in favor of the proposal. Specifically, of 112 members, 30 voted. Votes were 26 in favor of the proposed draft changes to Rule 8.4 (g) and 4 opposed to the draft changes. On or about July 25, 2017, Brad sent the materials and results of the section voting to the Commissions who will likely take up this matter at their meeting in early September. It was discussed that members of the section may need to be at the Commissioners' meeting and will need to attend the roadshow to help with the presentations. Larry Hunter volunteered to assist at the Commissioners' meeting. Larry will also reach out to other states through the ABA to determine what other jurisdictions are doing with regard to Rule 8.4(g).

Treasurer reported we are still ahead financially, but have upcoming expenses with the law school orientations. Dues are steady. The approximate total reported was \$14,000, with budget of \$6,000.

No other officers had reports.