

SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

November 24, 2014

Present: Aitken, Gierut, Walker, Berger, Jasper

Guests: Judge Telleen and Judge Barrows; V. Motto; and Mason

The meeting of the Executive Council was held at the Front Street Brewery and was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by President Berger.

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Council of October 28, 2014, were unanimously approved without amendment.

There were informal discussions, however, there were insufficient members to constitute a quorum and no official action was taken.

Judge Telleen suggested a Seventh Judicial District Bench/Bar Meeting to be held every other year. He made a number of suggestions that were approved by those present. He thought LeClaire might be a good place to start this summer as it is the off year for the Eighth Judicial District Bench/Bar Meeting. It would only be casual with no ties nor formal attire permitted. The morning would start with a CLE that would most likely be provided by Judges or other members of the Bar Association to minimize cost. Judge Barrows suggested one of the hours be ethics as that seems to attract more participants. There would be a luncheon and then the afternoon would be devoted to different activities such as golf, shopping, bike riding and a run were only a few suggestions.

It was suggested the Bar Association could supplement this cost to encourage more members to attend. The younger lawyers present felt it was very popular to attend in Dubuque and thought there would be a contingent of young lawyers that would be interested.

Judge Telleen suggested it be on a Friday and Court Administration would be in agreement to cancel hearings on a given Friday later next year. We suggested it be in June or July as they are already scheduling trials in May. We could not make any formal approval but everyone felt the idea was certainly worth consideration and needs to be considered as soon as possible to make the appropriate arrangements. Judge Telleen is going to be contacting Court Administration for a date and the Social Chair will probably

be involved with possibly Mason volunteering to participate in making all the arrangements. Jasper reminded everyone we do not have a meeting in December so Berger is going to contact other members of Executive Council for their consideration.

Mason appeared on behalf of the Young Lawyers Committee requesting financial support for their next meeting. Again a request was made for \$300 to \$500 and would gladly accept a little more. They are also anticipating the State Young Lawyers Division will co-sponsor this event. Berger is to secure a vote from those not in attendance as everyone else was in agreement.

V. Motto was present for the 29th year for the annual grants to law students associated with Scott County. The same rules would apply only this time it is suggested there be two awards of \$1,000 each. All in attendance approved, but again Berger has to contact the other Executive Council members for approval.

There were no further discussions.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis D. Jasper

Secretary

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