

SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2016

MINUTES OF MEETING: Attached are the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Executive Council for the month of February 2015. These Minutes have yet to be approved by the Executive Council and will be submitted to the Executive Council at its next meeting.

BARRISTER BALL: Please join us at the annual Barrister Ball at the Black Hawk Hotel in downtown Davenport on March 5, 2016. All reservations and/or any questions should be directed to Abby Furlong at afurlong@l-wlaw.com

BOARD OF GOVERNORS: The Board of Governors will be meeting the second weekend in March. If you have any comments, suggestions or even complaints please contact our representative, Ian Russell at irussell@l-wlaw.com

GRANTS: Our two separate \$1,000 grants to students attending an accredited law school and associated with Scott County are still available. Any interest should be directed to Josh Cobie at jcobie.law@qwestoffice.net

NIGHT WITH THE MALLARDS: The Night with the Mallards was a great success and people attending had a great time. The seats were behind the net and suggest we should do it once again. Anyone with any comments should contact L. Jasper at lynne.jasperlaw@qwestoffice.net

HELP: We are trying to compile an updated list of the location of files of deceased and retired lawyers. Anyone with any information should contact D. Jasper at 332-8181 or janet.jasperlaw@qwestoffice.net

CHANGES: Everyone should provide any changes in your address, telephone, e-mail or other information to Wing at spwing@iabar.org so current information can be used on the website.

NEED HELP?: Problems with alcohol, drugs, stress or depression? Call Iowa Lawyers Assistance Program at 1-800-243-1533. All calls are confidential.

Any member having any comments may contact the President or an Executive Council member for comments on any matters. Further, any member may request a reservation at the monthly meeting for a presentation to the Executive Council by contacting the President.

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

February 23, 2016

Present: Walker, Sommers, Patterson, Furlong, Kaplan, McElyea, Jasper

Guests: Russell – Board of Governors

The meeting of the Executive Council was held at the Front Street Brewery and was called to order at 12:10 p.m. by President Patterson.

There was an insufficient number of members to constitute a quorum and therefore, no formal action was taken.

There the minutes of the last meeting are not approved, however, there were no suggested changes.

Jacobs submitted a written financial report, though he was not present.

L. Jasper reported the “Night at the Mallards” was a success. We sold 79 of the 80 tickets. The seats were behind one of the nets and it was a great time experienced by all those present.

Patterson reported there was only one individual applied for our two separate \$1,000 grants to those attending an accredited law school with some association with Scott County. Those present discussed the disappointment and wanted to know why more students would not apply. It is believed the Deans of our two law schools in Iowa were notified and information was placed on their social media. Normally, it is also placed in the newspaper. Other suggestions were considered such as grants to high school students who have an interest in the law or mock trial participants. Patterson will be contacting Cobie to secure more information in an attempt to have more applicants.

Patterson reported the District Seven Bar Presidents met with Chief Judge Greve; Russell was also present. Judge Greve discussed the judicial budget and hopefully it would not be cut. If it is cut there may be closures of the clerk’s office or even furloughs. Some of the other items discussed were the meeting with the Legislators; Lunch N Learn CLE; EDMS; remodeling of the Courthouse; and the completion of the surveys being requested by Court Administration.

Sommers suggested we have a plaque made in memorial of G. David Binegar and his 22 years of service as a Magistrate. This would be similar to the plaque for Bob Weinberg outside the office of the County Attorney. Sommers is to investigate the cost as well as permission from the County to have it displayed within the Courthouse.

Russell stated the Board of Governors will meet the second weekend in March. Anyone with any comments or complaints should contact Russell to relay to the membership of the Board of Governors.

Furlong indicated there were 102 reservations for the Barrister Ball. Everyone is reminded it will be held on March 5, 2016, and the more the merrier. If you have any questions or would like to make a reservation contact Furling at afurlong@l-wlaw.com.

There were no further discussions.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis D. Jasper

Secretary

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