SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2016

<u>MINUTES OF MEETING</u>: Attached are the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Executive Council for the month of September 2016. These Minutes have yet to be approved by the Executive Council and will be submitted to the Executive Council at its next meeting.

<u>CLE</u>: The "Assisting Survivors of Domestic Abuse in the Legal System" is being presented by Family Resources and SafePath for Lunch and Learn on October 20, 2016, at the Davenport Police Department Community Room commencing a 11:30 a.m. This has been approved for 1 hour of CLE. Lunch is being sponsored by SPECS and will be catered by Biaggi's. Admission is free. Contact Nikki E. at <u>nikkie@famres.org</u> to reserve your spot. See attached flyer.

<u>ICE AGE/DISNEY ON ICE</u>: The Ice Age show at the iWireless Center was canceled and will not be presented. There was little interest in Disney on Ice and therefore the Bar Association is not planning to sponsor the event this year.

BARRISTER BALL: Everyone should be encouraged to attend the Barrister Ball coming up in the first part of next year. Any member practicing ten years or less and any non-lawyer guest will be admitted with no charge. All other members and their guests will receive a reduced cost of \$50 each. More information will be forthcoming.

GOLF OUTING: There were 40 golfers at the golf outing and over \$875 was raised for HELP. It was a beautiful day and most of our membership is really missing a great event with a very good dinner. Please plan on attending next year.

<u>STATISTICALS</u>: Original Statisticals must still be filed in dissolution proceedings with the Clerk on the proper paper and cannot be filed EDMS.

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

<u>NEED HELP?</u>: 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.

SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

September 27, 2016

Present: McElyea, Sommers, Corbin, Copell, Gierut, Aitken, Walker, Patterson, Russell, Olsen, Kaplan, Jasper

Guests: Judge Nancy Tabor

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 Kaplan.

Judge Tabor was welcomed to our meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Council of August 30, 2016, were unanimously approved without amendment.

Jacobs was not present nor did he present a Treasurer's report.

The Ice Age show at the I Wireless was canceled and will not be presented and therefore the event was canceled. There was little interest in Disney on Ice.

The Barrister Ball subsidy issue again was presented. It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved for the following:

- 1. Any member practicing 10 years of less and their non-lawyer guest would be free.
- 2. All other members and their guests would receive a reduced cost of \$50 each.

The Golf Outing was a great success. Berger had indicated there were ten foursomes and there was 40 members present for dinner. The total net payment to HELP was \$875.

Russell reported from the Board of Governors on the following issues:

1. The Supreme Court has received the results of the Family Law Task Force and will be requesting comments.

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- 2. There are new Appellate Rules.
- 3. The Judicial Branch budget is again an issue with a \$5,000,000 shortage last year and if it is similar this year it could be as much as \$7,000,000.
- 4. Judicial Retention.

Judge Tabor discussed the Family Law Task Force and the difficulties arising from the growing number or pro se divorce actions. New ideas are being suggested to help minimize the expenditure of time on each individual case. She further identified considerable difficulties experience by the other four counties in our District. The attendance of Judges has been severely reduced due to transportation costs. This resulted in many cases being continued or scheduling in Scott County. .

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis D. Jasper

Secretary

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