

SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2016

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

LAST CHANCE SEMINAR: The Last Chance Seminar will again be sponsored by your Scott County Bar Association on December 16, 2016. This program will be presented at the Radisson in downtown Davenport. Everyone should mark their calendars for this CLE. Anyone interested in being a speaker should contact Patterson at BPatterson@L-WLAW.com. More information will be forthcoming by email by Patterson.

RODEO: The World's Toughest Rodeo on Friday, January 27, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. Normally, tickets for adults are \$23 and \$13 for children. Your cost for an adult is \$12.50 per ticket for anyone over the age of 12 and \$5 for anyone under the age of 12. All members, significant others and their children and Courthouse staff, significant others and their children are eligible for this reduced rate. Grandparents and other relatives may attend, however, their cost would be the normal rate. Tickets may be purchased through Steve Jacobs at SHJ@bettylawfirm.com.

LAW SCHOOL GRANTS: Again your Scott County Bar Association is sponsoring two separate \$1,000 grants for law students attending an accredited law school with connections with Scott County. Anyone knowing of any such individual should be encouraged to contact Cobie at jcobie.law@qwestoffice.net.

GUIDELINES: Everyone should be aware of the proposed guidelines which have been emailed to all members. Any comments should be provided to Judge Greve at your earliest convenience.

MEDIATION COMMITTEE: There is a Mediation Committee formed in Scott County with Judge Reidel as Chair. Anyone with any comments should contact Judge Reidel.

BARRISTER BALL: Everyone should plan on being in attendance at the Barrister Ball in 2017. Any attorney, who is a member of our Association practicing less than ten years can attend without cost along with no cost for a non lawyer guest. For those members practicing more than ten years the cost is \$50 per ticket. Your Bar Association is donating \$50 per ticket to HELP Legal Assistance any amount received in excess of expenses will also be donated to HELP.

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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.

SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

November 29, 2016

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

Guests: Judge Henry G. Latham and Cobie

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 Latham was welcomed to our meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Council of October 25, 2016, were unanimously approved without amendment.

There was a written report from the Treasurer indicating a positive cash flow for the year.

The Barrister Ball expenditure was revisited. There was a discussion concerning the limitation of the number of free tickets that would be provided to those practicing less than ten years. It was the general consensus the previous resolution from October was confirmed.

Tickets are still available for the rodeo, however, there was no update provided.

Cobie was present to request funding for the law school grants that have been provided by the Scott County Bar Association 30th consecutive years. The motion to continue with our same procedure as in the past was not approved. In the past each applicant received one chance of being drawn as a recipient of a grant provided if the applicant was related to a member of the Scott County Bar Association, they would have two chances for being drawn to receive a grant. It was moved, seconded and approved to have each applicant regardless of relationship to any member of the Scott County Bar Association to only have one chance at the drawing for each of the two \$1,000 grants from the Scott County area attending an accredited law school.

The Last Chance Seminar will be held on December 16, 2016, at the Radisson in downtown Davenport. Patterson estimates the CLE will be approximately 6 hours. Speakers are needed. It was moved, seconded and approved to sponsor the Last Chance Seminar as we have in the past at a cost not to exceed \$2,000. Patterson is to check with Jacobs to determine if there is insurance for our Association since there is an indemnification agreement in the contract with the Radisson.

Judge Latham was present and discussed several issues that pertain to our Association. The Seventh Judicial District has been assigned a pilot program for informal family law trials. There would be no rules of evidence and both parties would have to consent to the participation in the program. Attorneys can be present with their respective client, however, the Judge would be the one providing the questions.

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Judge Greve has requested comments on the new guidelines being proposed that have been disseminated to the Association.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis D. Jasper

Secretary

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