

**Lane County Bar Association
Board of Directors Meeting
February 5, 2026, Noon-1:00**

Next Meeting: March 5, 2026

Role	Name	Email	Present
President	Jennifer Hisey	jhisey@oregonlawcenter.org	X
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Director	Jesse London	jesse@londonparislaw.com	X
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Director	Laura Ruggeri	lruggeri@lanepds.org	X
Director	James Gardner	jgardner@gardnerbeckley.com	X

INTRO:

The President calls the meeting to order at 12:01 pm.

APPROVE MINUTES:

Esack moves to approve the minutes from December and January. James seconds. The motion passes unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Taylor delivers the Treasurer's Report. The Winter Social made slightly more money in 2025 than in 2024, but events income is similar because of the Ems game. Revenue is up and expenditures are down compared to the previous fiscal year. Memberships continue trickling in (currently have 364 members). Year-to-year membership calculations will be easier around the annual membership drive.

James raises the issue of keeping too much money in checking as opposed to a higher-yield account. Taylor will inquire with the LCBA bookkeeper about monthly expenses to calculate the money we can move to a higher-yield account.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Events:

Julian is willing to MC the February CLE.

Lisa is willing to coordinate ordering the new plaque for the Andrew Clement Pro Bono Award.

Jennifer provides updates on planning for the Spring Bash 2026.

Laura is in touch with potential speakers for the March CLE.

Jennifer discusses the nomination process for LCBA awards (March 1 deadline to submit nominees).

30-40-50 (years of LCBA membership) presentation/recognition is supposed to be during May's CLE. Jennifer can get a list of these people, but someone needs to coordinate outreach to members. Judge Vogt recalls LCBA paying for 30-40-50 folks' lunches during the CLE. Jesse and James are willing to help with outreach.

May's CLE could potentially also include a "hello" to the new Lane judges. Judge Vogt will talk to the new judges to see if they're available/interested.

Engagement:

LCBA was offered two tickets to OLSPIF's event on February 6, but no one is available.

The Board discusses sponsorship levels and the number of free tickets a sponsor would receive (tickets are normally in the \$40–50 range). The Board discusses how to scale free tickets to the four levels of sponsorship (more money = more tickets) without losing too much money. Julian moves _____. James seconds. Julian amends the motion to remove the reference to free event tickets being a good reason to sponsor. The motion (as amended) passes unanimously.

Julian will circulate a list of sponsors/potential sponsors for Directors to review to see if they'd be especially well suited to contact them.

Jennifer plans to get back to tabling at the UO law school in March. Anyone who has time to do so in February should contact Jennifer.

Governance:

Nothing.

Modernization:

Taylor plans to do some website updating soon.

JARC

The Judicial Screening Committee actually has to meet to review *pro tem* re-applications. Julian moves to reverse the LCBA's previous motion to automatically approve these (made before we knew what we were supposed to do). Jennifer seconds. The motion passes unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

We are on target with the LCBA annual calendar of deadlines.

NEW BUSINESS

LCBA received a letter from the local chapter of NAACP asking if LCBA is interested in some kind of partnership. The partnership appears related to NAACP's program of reviewing allegations from members and evaluating the allegations for referral to counsel. Judge Vogt proposes we call them to get more information. Julian will call them to get more information.

Jennifer moves to approve a \$250 LCBA donation to OWLA for a meet-the-judges event. Julian seconds. The motion passes unanimously after discussion.

OTHER/GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Taylor is giving an implicit bias presentation at the UO law school in March. Taylor discusses promoting LCBA at the event.

ADJOURNED at 12:46 pm