LANE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING *SEPTEMBER 2016 MINUTES*

Date and Location: Wednesday, September 7, 2016 (**special meeting reschedule*)
Steelhead Brewery - 199 E 5th Ave #1, Eugene, OR 97401
Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Attendance: KC Huffman (President), Natalie Scott (Secretary/Treasurer - arrived after voting on 1.1), Todd Johnston, Jay McAlpin, Deb Velure, Sebastian Tapia // Absent Board members: Erin Gould and Erin Fennerty

1. President's Report. (K.C.)

1.1 Update on Emily Farrell as new board member. (K.C.) *As reported to the Secretary, KC contacted and Emily is willing to serve. Jay moved to approve, Deb seconded, and unanimous approval by those present (not present to vote: Natalie, Erin G. and Erin F.)*

2. Approval of Minutes. Approve past minutes. (Erin/Natalie) *Some confusion as to what prior minutes have been approved as reported in August 2016 minutes. Natalie to follow-up with Erin Gould and prior minutes and August minutes to be reviewed/approved at October Board meeting.*

3. Secretary / Treasurer's Report. (Natalie/Erin)

3.1 Brief status of finances. *Natalie reported membership is about half for August than it was last year and likely due to late start in advertising in Bar News and website launch. Suggested follow-up with organizations and firms and plugs now that activities starting back up for fall (including tomorrow's first bar lunch). Will check in again next month. General discussion about membership was had and is detailed below.*

4. Old Business.

4.1 Website update – how's it going? (Natalie) *Natalie reported that some edits were made and going well but please review periodically and let us know if errors as content is continuously updated (particularly after Bar News comes out each month). Discussion re: placement of events and LCBA v. non-LCBA events on the website and sidebars. General agreement that current handling is acceptable.*

4.2 Membership/Recruitment Subcommittee (Deb/Todd)

4.2.1 Membership Pricing for Events *No report by subcommittee but general discussion regarding membership recruitment and benefits, invoicing, and what motivates members to pay each year. Some discussion of historical numbers and effective strategies. Sebastian raised issue of charging for section/committee membership. Natalie raised issue of whether that would mean segregated funds were necessary for committees. Discussion regarding how OSB sections operate and funding and monitoring committee events to ensure only LCBA attendees. Issue raised regarding some sections wanting non-LCBA to attend and still be free. Jay suggested committee chairs push LCBA membership to their members. Discussion re: oversight and Deb suggested Board liaisons to each committee to assist.*

BOARD LIASONS TO LCBA COMMITTEES* - Board agreed to assign each member at least 2 committees to be liason with and assignments for this year are as follows (absent members were assigned committees, too):

KC – Community Ed/Law Day and Probate and Program (since chair is at his firm)

Erin G. – Diversity and New Lawyers and Program

Natalie – Law Practice & Technology and Debtor-Creditor

Todd – Employment and Environmental (and Program)

Jay – Criminal Defense and Judicial Adminstration

Deb – Alternative Dispute Resolution and Intellectual Property

Sebastian – Family Law and Law Library

Erin F. – Federal Court

Emily F. – Mentoring and Pro Bono

Follow-up: Board member to contact chair (see website listing) and confirm if still willing to be chair or, if no one chair or committee inactive per website, get member sign-up list from Jone (forwarded to all Board members by Natalie before the meeting) and contact anyone that's signed up for the committee (this applies to Pro Bono for example) – contact the chair to also encourage chair to get members to renew or sign up for LCBA membership and advertise in the LCBA Bar News (which is also pulled over to the website) as way to build membership and connect – Will act as liason to Board if committees have Board issues and liason can report back at future Board meetings – Will try for this year in lieu of prior years' practice of the Vice President being solely responsible for committees and lining up the chairs. Natalie to pass along Board list to Mari to add this content to the website.

4.2.2 Social Media/Local Directory *Brief discussion but largely deferred to later time.*

4.3 Ems Game – Attendance down. Suggestion by Ems was to get our request in early (next month as soon as the schedule is released) for a weekend game in order to get higher attendance. (K.C.) *Discussion was had and favorable Board response to looking at weekend 2pm or 5pm game and possibly changing to "ice cream" social rather than buffet. Someone (KC?) to pass along to Program Chairs as this needs to be acted on sooner because weekend games are harder to reserve and should be done in advance.*

4.4 Monthly LCBA lunch location (K.C.) *Tomorrow at the Shedd is a one-time deal and, if acceptable, can sign on for rest of year. October lunch to be combined with CEJ so see below. For future lunches, need to resolve payment. If Shedd accepts payment, cannot charge non-members more. Money needs to come into LCBA so can be used to cover room, microphone, and other Shedd charges. $14/lunch just covers the lunch and none of those fees. Natalie suggested that non-member price be set such that any member attending more than 4 lunches would get a better deal by signing up to be an LCBA member and getting the member price* *(tentatively $14 v. $24). Discussed need for e-mail vote but in light of October meeting (below), can be deferred until next Board meeting.*

4.5 Location of Checking Account. (Natalie) *Natalie hasn't worked on this but will work on it.*

5. New Business.

5.1 Tomorrow's LCBA Lunch – Any announcements we need to make? (K.C.) *Discussed several times and suggested introduction of Board members and plaque to Judge McIntyre if in attendance as well as usual announcements regarding membership and website and introducing yourselves to new admittees.*

5.2 October Board Meeting Conflict with CEJ Lunch and Senator Wyden. (K.C.) *KC was contacted because CEJ lunch is on same day as October LCBA lunch so proposed to combine events. Would mean rescheduling Portland speakers and Program committee chair is following up to reschedule that and hold a December lunch. Board generally agreeable to holding events together. Takes care of venue and no charge as CEJ lunch is always no charge so folks can donate. Natalie to follow-up with Mari re: updating website with the change.*

5.3 OSB President Rey Heysell is coming to Lane County on Oct. 12th. Venue issues (K.C.) *KC informed Board regarding visit and possible venues for lunch with Lane County bar members on Thursday, 10/13, were discussed. Evening event likely to be at Valley River Center.*

5.4 Blast Email for LCBA Sections holding CLE's available to the entire LCBA? (K.C.) *KC was contacted to request this and general discussion to maintain policy that such persons may advertise in Bar News, which is posted to website, but not e-mail blasts or else would have to do blasts for all sections/committees, etc.*

6. Good of the Order *Natalie asked for assistance reviewing insurance coverages and Erin Fennerty was suggested for the task (in her absence).*

7. Adjourn - Next Board Meeting. October 6, 2016 at tbd. *Discussion re: next Board meeting location and it was decided to be at Benedetti's Meat Market in Springfield (533 W. Centennial).*