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## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

February 6, 2020

Lane County Board of County Commissioner's Conference Room  
125 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave, Public Service Building

In Attendance: Sebastian Tapia, President; Erin Fennerty, President-Elect; Felipe Alonso, Hon. R. Curtis Conover; Raquel Hecht; Alexandra Hilsher; Amanda Husted; Hal Neth.

Absent: Brad Litchfield

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Tapia at 12:05 pm.

President's Report: Tapia reported January's luncheon, "State of the Courts" presented by Judge Vogt and Judge McShane, had 92 attendees, of which 79 paid to attend (non-paying attendees were law students, guests, and presenters). There was loss of \$176, which was lower than anticipated.

Approval of Minutes: Meeting minutes from the January 2, 2020 Board meetings were circulated and reviewed. Alonso noted his name was misspelled on page 2 of the minutes. Fennerty noted that the first sentence under "Old Business" should be struck as she was not in attendance at the January meeting.

*Tapia moved to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2020 Board meeting as amended per Alonso and Fennerty's indications. Conover seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously with Fennerty, Hecht, Husted, and Neth abstaining.*

Approval of the December 5, 2019 Board meeting was tabled as draft minutes were not provided for review.

Financial Update: Financial reports with information as of January 31, 2020 were circulated and reviewed by the Board.

### New Business:

*EMs Game Contract.* Fennerty presented the contract for the Eugene EMs game for August 20, 2020 game. Total contract price based on 120 attendees is \$3,600.

*Tapia moved to authorize Fennerty to execute the contract for the August 20, 2020 EMs game. Hecht seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.*

*Supreme Court Lunch.* Tapia reported that, based on catering costs for the March Oregon Supreme Court luncheon at the University of Oregon Law School, the cost for attendance should be raised to \$22.

*Fennerty moved to change the attendance cost for the March 2020 LCBA luncheon to \$22 per person. Neth seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.*

*Sound System.* Due to the cost for sound and AV at monthly luncheons, Tapia purchased a portable sound system that could be used instead. Tapia performed a demonstration of the sound system he purchased in Harris Hall for Board members. All board members positively noted the audio quality of the system. Tapia requested to be reimbursed for the cost of the purchase

*Husted moved to reimburse Tapia for the cost of the sound system purchased on behalf of the LCBA for use at monthly luncheons. Neth seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously*

Old Business:

*Luncheon Registration Project.* Tapia reported that project to automatically develop a list of monthly luncheon attendees was successfully implemented for the January 2020 luncheon, saving time for the programming chairs.

*Invoice for Mailing Costs.* Tapia reported that a \$671.44 invoice due to Hershner Hunter for membership mailings last summer remained unpaid. Questions were raised as to whether the invoiced amount was for mailing costs only, or whether administrative time was included. Hilsher indicated she would follow up with Hershner Hunter to determine the basis for the invoiced amount.

*Membership.* A report was circulated reflecting paid LCBA members for the 2018-2019 membership year who did not renew their membership for 2019-2020. Tapia noted a number of the attorneys who did not renew their membership had retired from practice. Discussion ensued about options for reaching out to non-renewed attorneys to get them to sign up for this year.

*Approved By-Laws Update.* Fennerty circulated a clean copy of amended and restated Bylaws. Discussion ensued about whether the amended and restated Bylaws had been approved by the Board. There appeared to be consensus that the Board did not pass the bylaws at a previous meeting.

*Financial Policy Update:* Tapia circulated the draft Financial Policy approved by the Financial Policy Subcommittee. Tapia indicated he wanted to have the policy reviewed by the Board's accountant and the programming chairs prior to submitting for approval by the Board.

Other Updates from Board Members: None

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:10 pm.

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Erin A. Fennerty, President-Elect

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