**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

October 3, 2024

Start Time 12:00 pm

1. Call to Order:

a. Members Present – Jennifer Hisey (JH), Sean Foster (SF), Honorable Debra Vogt (DV), Taylor Herbert (TH), and Julian Marrs (JWM).

b. Members Absent – Jinoo Hwang, Elizabeth Stubbs, Esack Grueskin, Elaina Bauer, and Jesse London.

2. Approval of Minutes: The Board lacked a quorum, so no minutes were approved and no official action was taken.

3. Old Business – Members Present Discussed Goals for Current Board Year:

a. DV shared view that the Board is filled with busy individuals, so the Board would function better if it is goal oriented, with those goals being concrete actions that can be taken between meetings.

b. DV follows up that the Board’s overall goal looks to be getting the membership reengaged, with a current focus on making Bar sections active. The first step in this process is contacting section chairs to see if they remain willing to serve.

c. TH suggested that we identify replacement chairs for any chairs who do not respond in a reasonable time or indicate a lack of time to serve.

d. JH raised the question of whether there are too many sections. JH also proposed that existing sections be combined or eliminated if we cannot locate a willing chair from the legal community. JH proposed a cap on the total number of sections at 10, so that there is one section per board member.

e. DV highlighted the New Lawyers Section as an important section to revitalize in conjunction with the law school. This section previously provided additional CLEs to new lawyers, helmed by judges paired with experienced practitioners. This is a fantastic way to engage and is useful to new lawyers.

4. Treasurer’s Report: JH presented on Ms. Stubbs’ behalf. Finances have remained steady over the last month as has membership.

a. The treasurer’s report caused JH to question whether there are issues with members’ ability to renew membership.

b. TH acknowledged that online link for renewal was not working for them.

c. The Board members present discussed the state of the LCBA website and whether there are ways to improve it for members, including making sure that current links to things like membership renewal are active, that email addresses on site are active, and providing useful legal resources to members.

5. Committee Selection: The directors present selected which committees they are interested in serving on.

a. TH noted that they would be interested in forming a new Committee on Section Development. DV and JH stated they would join.

b. SF noted that he is on the Programming Committee and would be willing to serve on the Engagement Committee.

c. JH, DV, and JWM indicated that they would serve on the Governance Committee.

d. TH expressed a preference for the Modernization Committee.

6. Adjourn 12:57 pm:

Next Board Meeting Date: November 7, 2024.