

Minutes for the Meeting of the Benchers Held Friday, October 27, 2017 Hotel Saskatchewan, Regina

Present:

Erin Kleisinger, Q.C., Craig Zawada, Q.C., Leslie Belloc-Pinder, David Bishop, David Chow, Perry Erhardt, Q.C., Monte Gorchinski, Glenn Hepp, Brenda Hildebrandt, Q.C., Heather Hodgson, Foluke Laosebikan, Ph.D, Judy McCuskee, John McIntosh, Q.C., Scott Moffat, Ronni Nordal, Ronald Parchomchuk, Martin Phillipson, Sean Sinclair, Gerald Tegart, Q.C., Ian Wagner and Jay Watson

In attendance:

Tim Brown, Donna Sigmeth, Q.C., Barbra Bailey, Andrea Johnston, Melanie Hodges Neufeld, Kara-Dawn Jordan, Pamela Harmon, CA.

Call to Order:

The meeting commenced at 11:05 am on Friday, October 27, 2017.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as written by consent.

1.1 Apologies for Absence

Jeff Baldwin and David Rusnak, Q.C. send their regrets.

1.2 Confirmation of Agenda

1.3 Bencher Conflict of Interest Disclosures

None.

1.4 Agenda Items, Committee Reports and Documents which are Not Open to the Public

Materials for this meeting are of a confidential nature and will not be made available to the public.

2. Governance

2.1 Budget 2018 (*in camera*)

A motion to approve the special fund assessment for 2018 at \$100 was moved by Ronni Nordal, seconded by Ian Wagner. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion to approve the practicing levy for 2018 at \$1,875 was moved by Jay Watson, seconded by David Chow. 19 were in favour, 1 was opposed. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the 2018 (option IV) budget as presented was moved by Ian Wagner, seconded by Judy McCuskee. The motion was carried unanimously.

2.2 Law Foundation Grant Requests

Two letters from the Law Foundation dated September 29, 2017 were provided to the Benchers for information. Grant requests for Legal Resources and CPLED were granted in the amounts requested.

2.3 PBLs Funding Request (*in camera*)

3. Reports

3.1 President's Report (none)

3.2 Executive Director's Report (none)

4. Meeting Finalization

4.1 Review Actions to be Taken

Administration will draft a communication to members respecting the practicing fee amount.

4.2 Confirm Items under 1.4

4.3 Meeting Evaluation

4.4 Next Meeting – November 30 and December 1, 2017, Radisson Hotel, Saskatoon

4.5 Motion to Adjourn

Ian Wagner moved to adjourn at 1:36 p.m.

5. Bencher *In-Camera* Session with the Executive Director

6. Bencher *In-Camera* Session without the Executive Director

Timothy J. Brown
Executive Director