

MINUTES

LINN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 17, 2010

Cedar Rapids Museum of Art

Past-President Scott McLeod called the meeting to order at approximately 12:20 p.m. McLeod advised that President Connie Alt was unable to attend the meeting due to conflict, and President-Elect Stephanie Hinz was absent due to having to attend a family funeral.

There were no judges present.

The following guests were introduced: Katrina Nystrom with the Scheldrup Blades law firm introduced Amy Bagge, the firm's summer clerk..

The following attorneys were admitted for membership: Sasha Monthei introduced Keith Larson, a new associate with the Nidey law firm (2008 graduate of the University of Maryland who clerked for a year for a Maryland judge) and Susan Kalbach, who recently joined Mercy Medical Center's legal team.

Ann McCrea, speaking for Treasurer Todd Anderson, who was absent, distributed a Treasurer's Report that shows a balance in the checking account as of June 1, 2010 of \$20,499.78 and a balance in the Money Market account of \$56,103.60, for a total of \$76,603.38. McCrea, who is the head of the Charitable Contributions Committee, also announced the Committee is accepting applications for grants to nonprofit organizations. The applications must be received by the committee by July 1, 2010.

Linn Law Club President Lou Ebinger advised elections for the 2010-2011 Law Club Board were recently held. He advised the membership of the following new officers: Lou Ebinger, Simmons Perrine Moyer Bergman, President; Ray Rinkol, White Law Firm, Vice President, Katrina Nystrom, Scheldrup Blades, Secretary; and Emily Ellison of Lynch Dallas will be treasurer.

Darin Luneckas, chair of the Summer Outing Committee, advised he has not received many sign-ups out of the 400 registrations cards that were mailed out for the Summer Outing to be held July 8. He requested that those who haven't yet to please RSVP for the CLE and supper. Anyone needing registration materials can contact Luneckas. Anyone with questions about the CLE can contact Summer Outing CLE Chair Bob Teig. Joe Schmall, member of the summer CLE committee, reported that there will be an hour and a half of ethics at the CLE and that Judge Collins and possible Judge Kilburg of the Bankruptcy Court will be presenters.

McLeod announced the LCBA will be resurrecting the Scriptum. One of the new features of the new Scriptum will be a "Transitions" section to announce firm announcements, comings and goings and such. Any updates for the Scriptum can be sent to new Scriptum editor Susan Pence or to the LCBA at webmaster@linncobar.org.

McLeod announced the slate of candidates chosen by the Nominating Committee for open Officer and Board positions Bill Nicholson for President-Elect; Todd Anderson for Secretary, and Matt Preston, Greg Neumeyer, Caitlin Slessor and Cynthia Sueppel for the open Governor positions. Following a vote by the membership, all candidates were elected.

Program Committee Co-Chair Ryan Sawyer introduced the speakers. The speakers were local lawyer-legislators Iowa State Senator Rob Hogg of Elderkin & Pirnie and Iowa State Representative Kraig Paulson of CRST, who provided a legislative update. A half-hour CLE credit will be sought.

The next meeting of the LCBA will be in September at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art.

./s/ Laura Mueller