

Minutes of Meeting of Women and the Law Section State Bar of Texas January 20, 2021

Teresa Schiller, Chair, called the January board meeting of the Women and the Law Section to order at 12:03 P.M. after it was determined that a quorum was present.

Council members in attendance via telephone or video: Teresa Schiller, Leigh Goodson, Denise Alex, Ellis Iverson, Betsy Johnson, Natasha Martinez, Elizabeth Cantu, Lindsay Owens, Deborah Cordova, Kirby Drake, Susan Kelly, Judy Ney, Deborah Race.

WELCOME

The chair welcomed the council members.

MINUTES

Meeting minutes were offered for approval for the December 16, 2020 meeting. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for the meeting of December 16, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer, Natasha Martinez, presented her report. The bank balance decreased by \$103.74. We incurred expenses of \$140 for two CLE programs in November and December. We received income of \$39.26. For the same period last year, our income was \$1,400 less. We have received more in dues revenue this year.

WEBSITE FACELIFT

The chair requested approval to hire a website vendor to refresh the appearance of our website. She presented two estimates for the work – one from Four Columns for \$2,850 and one from Extraco Consulting for \$1,200. Each vendor submitted proposals and samples.

Last summer, this council approved an expense in the budget for hiring Extraco Consulting to update and refresh our website.

The 2020/2021 goals for the website have included (1) reorganization, (2) content updates, and (3) an appearance update. To date, the Website and Social Media Committee and Ms. Schiller have reorganized the website, updated content, and fixed broken links. The remaining goal is to update the site's appearance, and a vendor is needed for this work.

The council reviewed and discussed the information provided by the two vendors. Upon motion duly made and second, the council voted unanimously to hire Four Columns.

GIFT MEMBERSHIPS FOR NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTORS AND CLE SPEAKERS

The chair requested approval, retroactive to June 2020, to pay for one-year memberships for contributors to our newsletter and for speakers in our CLE programs who are not current members. The estimated cost is about \$200 for 2020/2021.

A motion was made and seconded to pay for one-year section memberships, beginning June 2020, for contributors to our newsletter and for speakers in our CLE programs. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and approved unanimously at 12:25 p.m.

Betsy Johnson, Secretary