

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

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Executive Committee Planning Retreat Minutes

10:00 am - 5:00 p.m. March 5, 2011

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Seattle

1) Introductions/Roll Call

X	Alan Alhadeff		Anamaria Gil		Courtland Shafer
	Hon. Robert Alsdorf	X	Rina Goodman		Joshua Sundt
X	Mark Baumann	X	Will Herbert	X	Lish Whitson
	David Black	X	Sherman Knight		Guests:
X	Jeff Bean	X	Paul McVicker	X	Adrienne Keith
X	QUORUM				

See the <u>FY 2011 Strategic Planning</u> discussion for a summary and links to resources from the full planning process during both retreat days, November 5, 2010, and March 5, 2011. For detailed notes see the <u>Planning Retreat FY 2011 Mind-Map</u>.

2) Mission Statement Discussion and Decision

We revisited the discussion we had in November's planning retreat, clarified to whom are education efforts are directed, and with this change reaffirmed our section's Mission Statement.

a) 201103-01: Amendment to Section Mission Statement: M/S/P: To amend the ADR Section's Mission Statement to read:

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the Washington State Bar Association (hereinafter referred to as "Association") promotes the informed use and best practices of alternative dispute resolution processes by providing resources; educating members of the bar and the public; and addressing issues relating to the growth and development of alternative dispute resolution services in the State of Washington.

b) 201103-02: Amendment to Bylaws

M/S/P: To amend the Section bylaws by removing Article II, *Mission*; for this amendment to be conveyed to the Board of Governors for approval before the end of the current term (FY 2011).

As discussed, we wanted to remove the Mission Statement from the bylaws so we don't

have to amend the bylaws again to revise our Mission Statement. Not requiring it to go to the BOG For approval immediately allows us to review the bylaws for any other amendments we might want to make and then forward them as a group to the BOG for approval before the end of the current term.

c) After the retreat, it was noted that we did not provide proper notice per our Bylaws, Article X, to amend the bylaws. These amendments will be set for the March meeting agenda for affirmation after proper notice.

3) Strategic Objectives

An extensive discussion was held brainstorming strategic objectives for the section, then prioritizing them. The priorities for strategic objectives were identified as:

- a) Website
- b) Blog
- c) CLE
- d) Northwest Dispute Resolution Conference
- e) Focus/Listening Groups
- f) Committees
- 4) **Adjourn** (5:00 pm)

Minutes submitted by Will Herbert and Jeff Bean