

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

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1002 Minutes

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1. Adopt Minutes from last meeting: adopted, with correction showing Courtland attending
2. Additions/Deletions/Modifications to 1002 Agenda
3. Comments from Public/Correspondence:
 - a. Feb. 10, 2010: John Shaffer (WMA) (Mediator of the Year Award – at NW ADR conf): **1002-2**
 - b. Feb. 11, 2010: Anna Jancewicz (WSBA L&E section Trustee): Invitation to Co-sponsor of Neutrals/Advocates Reception at PNW Labor Arb Conf: **1002-3**

“I received your contact information from Sean Phelan, the current Chair of the Employment/Labor Section. I am currently the Trustee of the Section and am charged with organizing the 3rd Annual Neutrals/Advocates Reception following the Pacific Northwest Labor Arbitrators Conference scheduled for April 28, 2010. Sean tells me that the ADR Section may be interested in Co-Sponsoring this event, which would be terrific. It's been a great event and we would love to work with your Section on putting it together.

This reception has traditionally followed the Arbitrator Conference. This year, the Arbitrators/Neutrals will be meeting in the Seattle Center. So, we are currently working on planning the reception to immediately follow the conference. Because of the cost, we are looking to hold the reception in the same conference space (which will be converted for our purposes) at the Seattle Center.

For the past two years the Employment/Labor Section sponsored this event. The invitees included all of our members, plus other neutrals from the NLRB and PERC.

I would love to talk to you further about a possible co-sponsorship, so please let me know how best to contact you.

Sincerely,

Anna A. Jancewicz

Know more about cost and what we get for it

- c. Feb. 12, 2010: Kathy Kline: Rough draft of DR conference Brochure
 - d. Feb. 17, 2010: Toni Doane (WSBA): Follow up on WSBA By-law amendments Article IX:
1002-5
4. Consent Agenda – None
5. Financial Report – Courtland
- a. Nothing exciting and new, section revenue light, big dues comes in Jan-Feb.
 - b. Discussion regarding bar section membership
 - c. Secretary encouraged to send e-blast to membership to renew before section year-end
6. Old Business
- a. Interim EVotes: None
 - b. Matters
 - i. Status Report: Deskbook – Heather
 - 1. no report
 - 2. Jeff's heard feedback from Collaborative Lawyers who have seen the draft Table of Contents and would like to see Collaborative Law in it
 - ii. Status Report: Newsletter – Paul
 - 1. Not currently meeting standards he'd like
 - 2. Requesting final comments by end of next week
 - 3. Then ready to ship to bar
 - iii. Matter **0911-5**: LegCom retreat referral question regarding mediator certification (Courtland Report/Motion?)
 - iv. Matter **0911-9**: New web site report (Jeff)
 - 1. Jeff will send out invites to new ning platform in preparation for later discussion/action.
 - v. Matter **0912-3**: Invitation to ExCom re: Secretary position – Gil Motion passed, no objections received. EBlast went to ADR and L&E sections. Official.
 - vi. Matter **0912-1**: NW ADR Conference Annual Meeting timing & finance (EdCom, Rina:)
 - 1. 11-12:15 Annual Meeting; allows 30 minutes before first workshop for registration; 11:30-12:15 45 minutes presentation/Q&A by Lela Love
 - vii. Matter **1001-1**: NW ADR Conference Annual Meeting food recommendation (EdCom – Rina)

1. Rina following-up with caterer (same as UWLF uses); will get back with quote for either e-vote or March meeting.

6. Budget/Financial Report

7. New Business:

- i. **Matter 1002-1: Deskbook Pace Discussion**
 1. Lish expressed some concern that things are going forward, or not going forward, without direction from us. Deskbook Committee need to get together to determine whether we have the right people, right timeline, whether Collaborative Law
 2. Consensus: let's have a discussion next month, with Heather's input
- ii. **Matter 1002-2: Mediator of the Year Award Discussion**
 1. Deferred for clear request from WMA
 2. Discussion regarding whether we should have our own reward; some concerns raised about what standards would be used; Mark may lead an ad hoc group investigating standards and what an award program would look like.
- iii. **Matter 1002-3: Co-sponsor Neutral/Advocate Reception Discussion**
 1. need info regarding cost and what we'd get for the sponsorship
- iv. **Matter 1002-4: Courtland and Mediation Certification Discussion**
 1. Committee concludes that if we should choose, we could have an opinion in mediation certification. It's a very contentious and divisive issues. Before doing anything, would want to have more opinions – a member poll? What's the Executive Committee's opinion on how wide a net to cast on getting opinions?
 2. Education committee on issue of symposium or educational idea, with Courtland from Legislative Committee
- v. **Matter 1002-5: WSBA proposed Article IX amendments.**
 1. No action.

8. Adjourn