



LAW SOCIETY
OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

MINUTES

Executive Committee Meeting
Law Society of the Northwest Territories
Law Society Training Room and ZOOM
May 14, 2021

Attendance:

Brad Patzer, President
Sheldon Toner, Vice President
Christina Duffy, Treasurer
Karin Taylor, Secretary (by Zoom)
Sandra Mackenzie
Paul Andrew, Layperson
Karen Wilford, FLSC Representative

Glenn Tait, Executive Director
Bob Wilson, Communications and Planning Coordinator

Call To Order:

President Brad Patzer called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM.

Approval of the Agenda:

MOVED BY: Sheldon TONER
SECONDED BY: Christina DUFFY

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED BY: Sandra MACKENZIE
SECONDED BY: Paul ANDREW

THAT the Consent Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

Federation of Law Societies of Canada:

Karen Wilford gave an update on the March 2021 Council Meeting. There will be a virtual council meeting on June 7, 2021, and a special council meeting on June 10, 2021 to discuss the formation of an Indigenous Advisory Council and a Foreign Trained Lawyer Competency Standard.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- 1) Glenn Tait gave an update on member participation in the CBA program "The Path". He reported that Alberta has customized The Path to better reflect provincial history and considerations.
- 2) The policy regarding Executive Committee relations was deferred to the next meeting.
- 3) MOVED BY: Sheldon TONER
SECONDED BY: Sandra MACKENZIE

THAT the discount for Restricted Appearance Certificate fees for the Canadian Nurse's Protective Society be discontinued.

CARRIED

- 4) The Executive Committee agreed to recommend Margo Nightingale, Gary Magee and Jeffrey Major-Hansford to the Federal Judicial Advisory Committee.
- 5) The Executive Committee discussed the provision of peer- to- peer counselling and felt that this was not within their mandate to provide. Glenn Tait will communicate the Law Society's support for peer- to- peer counselling to the CBA-NT.
- 6) Discussion regarding the Presidents' Golf Tournament was deferred until more information could be received.

Finance:

- 1) Glenn Tait presented a Variance Report and Accounts Receivable Report, for information.

Discipline:

- 1) Glenn Tait reported that there is currently one discipline complaint in progress.

Rule/Policy Changes:

- 1) MOVED BY: Christina DUFFY
SECONDED BY: Sheldon TONER

THAT Rule Revisions AL-1 and AL-2 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

New Business:

- 1) MOVED BY: Sheldon TONER
SECONDED BY: Christina DUFFY

THAT the revised mandates for the Continuing Professional Development Committee be accepted, with the removal of the requirement for an April meeting between the Committee and the Executive.

CARRIED

- 2) The Executive Committee discussed recent communications from the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:35PM.

Next Meeting: TBA

Brad Patzer, President

Karin Taylor, Secretary