

**MINUTES
OF
LARIMER COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Date: August 9, 2005
Location: Bluebird Café**

ATTENDING: Becky Brelsford, Jeanne Drake, Dick Gast, David Johnson, Linda Miller, Dan Muffly and Randy Starr.

CALL TO ORDER: President Jeanne Drake called the meeting to order at 7:05 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the July 27, 2005 Executive Committee Retreat were approved.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION\SCHOLARSHIP FUND REPORT: Randy Starr reported that the Larimer County Bar Association Scholarship Fund with the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado had a current balance as of June 30, 2005 of \$15,015.73. This amount reflected contributions made to the Fund by the LCBA over the past year of \$5,406.30 (\$1,473.94 coming from the raffle account, and \$3,932.36 coming from the Professionalism Seminar). No grants were made from the Scholarship Fund over the past year. A copy of the Community Foundation's annual report for the Scholarship Fund is attached to these minutes.

Randy noted that we need to maintain a \$10,000 minimum balance in the Scholarship Fund, leaving approximately \$5,000 available for grants.

The criteria for awarding grants from the Scholarship Fund are as follows:

1. Financial need.
2. Reside in Larimer County.
3. Interest in study of law, our system of government, debate or other similar law related educational activities.
4. Post-graduate from high school, including alternative high school and enrolled in educational institution.
5. \$750 for one scholarship; must be used within two years after date of high school graduation with payment being made directly to the educational institution.

Randy will be working with the Community Foundation to advise various schools in Larimer County of the availability of funds, and to have the Foundation provide application forms to those schools in time to award grants in the Spring of 2006.

TREASURER'S REPORT: David Johnson handed out the finalized LCBA Budget for 2005-2006 as approved at the July Retreat. A copy of that Budget is attached to these minutes. David exhibited his uncanny knack for LCBA financial figures noting (seemingly off the top of his head) that there was \$35,174 in the checking account and \$2,027 in the pro bono account.

BOWL FOR LIFE EVENT: David Johnson reported that the second annual Bowl for Life event in memory of Rusty Nichols will be held on October 1, 2005. Cathy Vlasak will spread the word to the LCBA members.

REFERENDA C AND D: The Executive Committee decided not to take a position with regard to the Referenda C and D vote this coming November.

BOARD OF GOVERNERS: Randy Starr reported that the next CBA Board of Governors meeting will be held November 12, 2005. Randy's three year term on the Board of Governors expires in the Spring of 2006. Randy commenced his lobbying effort for re-election to another term given his continuing role on the CBA Executive Committee.

YOUNG LAWYERS: No report.

PROFESSIONALISM COMMITTEE: No report.

WOMEN'S BAR: No report.

PRO BONO PROGRAM: Becky Brelsford reported that she had the necessary volunteers in place to teach the pro se divorce classes. Becky also noted she had contacted the DU Law School to assist with rewriting the divorce handbook.

TERM DAY: Jeanne Drake reported that the Term Day plans have been finalized with the golf tournament to take place at Highland Meadows, followed by dinner at the Ptarmigan Country Club, followed by dancing until dawn (well, at least until 11:00 p.m.) to the music of the Tropical Coyotes. Jennifer Rice is responsible for getting the \$100 gift certificate for Cathy Vlasak. Jeanne will call Jennifer to determine who will be getting the plaque for Cathy.

NEW BUSINESS: Jeanne Drake reported that Kathryn Lonowski will head up the effort to put on LCBA-sponsored CLE seminars locally. Kathryn will report to the Executive Committee on this effort at the October meeting.

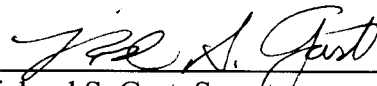
Linda Miller noted that the LCBA website needs to be updated. Cathy Vlasak will follow up.

The Executive Committee also discussed the process for members making funding requests to the LCBA, particularly surprise requests at Term Day. The Executive Committee decided to take any Term Day type of requests under advisement. Any advisory vote of the members on that type of request may be taken, with the ultimate decision on the funding request to be made by the Executive Committee.

Lastly, Randy Starr inquired about LCBA sponsorship of a planned giving seminar being put on by the Medical Center of the Rockies Foundation on November 8, 2005 in Loveland. The Executive Committee indicated a willingness to have the LCBA co-sponsor the event.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard S. Gast, Secretary