

## WSBA Juvenile Law Section Agenda

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

12:00pm - 1:00pm

### Zoom Meeting Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82978835230?pwd=48fJHrs2jhfV4zalFhFIHHnRMLLeBbH.1>

1) Attendance (need 7 for quorum): Jim, Daria, Itzel, Bailey, Marci, Aminat, Jeff, Kaelen, Lisa, Anastasia, Kari, Chach Duarte White

#### 2) Necessary Votes:

- a) November Minutes Jeff moves to approve, Bailey seconds. Lisa had edit Fire to FYRE. no objections, passed.
- b) December Minutes: Jeff moves to approve, Kaelen seconds. No discussion, no objections, passed.
- c) CLE funding: Daria explains \$12 for zoom or \$112 On24 for April 10 SUD CLE. She moves for \$112. Jeff says recording good b/c lots of interest in the subject. Part 2 SUD CLE, May 8 asking \$12 zoom. Mental health CLE June 12, we can't record per presenter, zoom \$12. Jeff seconds all motions. Jeff says used \$272 of \$1000 budgeted for mini CLEs. Daria notes presenters are not liking On24 much. No other discussion. No objection. Passed all.

3) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Jim: in our CLEs, Daria has done an amazing at providing opportunities in areas that include DEI issues. Encourage us all to attend. Lisa: LGBTQIA was informative and services available so it was good.

#### 4) Old Business:

- a) Executive Committee Bios Need Updated. Review on our webpage and send updates to Jim, who will send to Noah. Jim—please email to him. Website bios: Karrina, Aminat, Sophia, Itzel—looking at you
- b) Mentor Program: Does Kari (or anyone else) have experience behind the scenes of such a program? Does anyone volunteer to research ethics? Jim, nothing new to add but keep it on our minds.

- c) **Newsletter: Anybody interested in working on this? Jim-nothing new today, but keep it on our minds.**

**5) New Business:**

- a) **UW presentation--any EC members who would like to join that presentation? 2/23 noon (Anastasia). No. She will email section today ask. Jeff-GU still needs to confirm date.**
- b) **Election Committee (Jim)-fill out paperwork. Anastasia will go to wsba zoom session to get info on forms. Need non-EC person on committee. Session on 2/3 and 1/22.**
- c) **STAR Council Donation (per Kari's email description)-Kari not here. Table until/if Carolyn can join. She does not join.**
- d) **Treasurer's Report (Jeff): we always over budget and ended last year with plenty of money. Now, lots of CLE revenue (\$15k) (thank you Daria.) We were invited to a roundtable to explain how we did that. Thought we'd get \$5k. Crushing it. So we think we will reduce balance by \$4500 if we spend all money budgeted. We might not. A leadership/retreat line item has \$2k budget for years, but now we have more money to plan that. Would be next fiscal year, but we need to talk about it immediately. In person/hybrid cle would mean cost to members to join b/c not enough budget for that. But if we used these new funds, can we use that? Nest egg opens up options to create value for members on bigger projects. Budget for next year due soon so we can't wait to plan. Other plans folks want? \$8k for one CLE! Use for recruitment efforts? Jim-you have to join section yourself. Remember to do that.**

**6) New Member Liaison Report (Aminat): Got UW event going. We got parking passes for presenters. Jim-good job thank you!**

**7) BOG Liaison Report (Kari): tabled, not present now.**

**8) Committee Reports:**

- a) **CLE/Outreach Committee (Daria): Include earlier explanation.**
- b) **Civil Legal Needs Committee (Lisa): met FYRE okanogan county. Unicorn org, very cool especially for location (serves up to 25y/o). Criminal justice needs, but also talked civil need like insurance companies suing youth/young adults.**

The org needs help with those cases. They work well w/ local attys, we should explore if we can work on resources on that issue. Jim-why are they suing? Lisa-personal injury (?) accident, ins comp files suit. Recruit juvenile justice EC member maybe through their connections?

c) Dependency and Child Welfare Committee (Kaelen/Karrina): no report today (Kaelen). Jim-children's justice conf in May. Bailey-workshop proposals solicited. Organizers want enough legal based classes. Juvenile justice or dependency too. CJC website has submission link. Session descript, some other details needed. In Spokane. Good keynote speakers. Put on Feb agenda for CJC scholarships. CJC wants teams of people coming so represent all the roles of legal parties in cases (gal, state, kids, parents attys)

d) Legislative Committee: Update (Jeff)-1.5 wks in legislative session. JLS/WSBA has terms and WSBA follows the terms we follow. They give us deadlines for commenting. But they are so quick and not helpful for us. They showed 6 bills that may be interested in that WSBA identified. There are 37 from Jeff's research that implicate children/youth. Of those, 23 child welfare, 17 live bills. 6 zombie bills from last year roaming. 11 juvenile justice. 3 ed bills. Maybe more bills. Jeff is summarizing in writing to send to us. Anyone wanting to weigh in, please bring it up at the next meeting for discussion. More bills in child welfare on the way that we might find out about. 37 will shake down to which ones will get traction, so maybe wait to comment until we see which ones are likely to move forward. Need 75% vote yes to comment and there are rules on how to do it. Email votes based on wsba deadlines is hard but we can respond later without issue so far. Discussion on process? Jim-makes sense. Anastasia-Need EC board to vote, not whole section for commenting. Jeff-Yes. Quick leg session and change so often. Bills switch paths quick. Lias -is that a lot for short session number of bills? 60 day session? Jeff-unsure but it sounds like a lot. A lot doesn't move though. Bailey-Has tracked before. It feels like a lot more b/c short session, but in child welfare law, there is a lot going on that wasn't happening in previous sessions. May not be so many in the future. Jeff-opioid bills are the current focus, some edited from last year to hopefully pass this time. Juvenile justice-sentencing reform, sexual exploitation bills to fix

some holes in previous laws. Similar to last year with tweaks. Ed bills-surveillance AI, financial lit in HS, school discrim.

e) Juvenile Justice Committee: Vacant.

f) Law School Representatives Report (Sophia/Itzel): Itzel-SU event 3/3 excited for that. Working on flyer. Who to contact in child sex trafficking field b/c some students interested? Sent ICWA summary and on website now. How to renew as student? Jim-ask Carolyn. Anastasia-there is a form from Carolyn. Maybe not have to pay but see what this year update is. Bailey-can we budget member scholarships for students? Jeff-reads rules that students can join for \$18. We should increase student awareness so he likes the idea to fund law students to join. Wsba is working on pipeline for students to practice so we could support with scholarships. Jim can you ask carolyn what we'd need to do? Yes he will.

9) WSBA Liaison (Carolyn): Not present.

10) Roundtable: Chach-hello welcome. Legal Services for Youth and Children director wanting to be more involved in space. Jim-happy to have you. Anastasia: any interest in non EC election committee? Need non-EC person to watch us on emails and forms but don't need to do the work themselves unless they want to have input. Chach will think on it.

11) Adjournment: 12:53 thanks all

**Next Meeting: February 18, 2025, 12:00 PM**