



MINUTES

Law Society of the Northwest Territories
Law Society Training Room
October 25, 2019

Attendance:

Mike Reddy, Vice President
Ian Rennie, Secretary
Brad Patzer, Treasurer
Candace Seddon, Member at Large
Heather Chang, Layperson
Alex Godfrey, Past President
Karen Wilford, FLSC Representative

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

Regrets:

Tracy Bock, President

Call To Order:

Vice-President Mike Reddy called the meeting to order at 12:10PM.

Approval of the Agenda:

MOVED BY: Candace SEDDON
SECONDED BY: Brad PATZER

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED BY: Ian RENNIE
SECONDED BY: Brad PATZER

THAT the Consent Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- 1) Glenn Tait reported that comments on the Legal Profession Act Discussion Paper were invited from the membership. Two submissions have been received to date.

- 2) Glenn Tait gave an update on the Helsby Drake website project. There have been some personnel changes at Helsby Drake, which have delayed the project. Representatives from Helsby Drake are travelling to Yellowknife to meet with the Law Society on November 25, 2019.
- 3) The Fall Reception was attended by 17 people. Several expressed interest in running for the Executive Committee and other Committees.
- 4) The costs for the Presidents' Dinner were the same as last year. The consensus of the Executive Committee was to increase the amount the Law Society subsidizes the event by \$2000.00, and to lower the ticket cost.

Finance:

1. The Variance Report as of August 27, 2019 was presented for information.
2. The 2020 Budget was presented for approval.

MOVED BY: Ian RENNIE
SECONDED BY: Brad PATZER

THAT the proposed Budget for 2020 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

Discipline:

- 1) A report on Discipline cases in progress was presented for information. There are currently eight Discipline Complaints in progress. In addition, there is one complaint which is proceeding to a Committee of Inquiry.

New Business:

- 1) Nominations for the three open seats on the Executive Committee have opened. There are no candidates to date.
- 2) An orientation meeting for new Executive Committee members will be arranged to follow the Annual General Meeting.
- 3) The Law Society provided \$250.00 to purchase snacks and beverages for the Northern Opportunities forum at the University of Alberta.

Federation of Law Societies of Canada:

- 1) Karen Wilford reported on the meeting in St. John, Newfoundland in October. The theme was Wellness in the Legal Profession

Meeting Dates:

LSNT Executive: November 19, 2019

Meeting Adjourned: 1:30 PM.

Tracy Bock, President

Ian Rennie, Secretary