



LAW SOCIETY
OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

MINUTES

Law Society of the Northwest Territories
Law Society Training Room
November 19, 2019

Attendance:

Mike Reddy, Vice President
Ian Rennie, Secretary
Brad Patzer, Treasurer
Candace Seddon, Member at Large
Heather Chang, Layperson- by telephone
Karen Wilford, FLSC Representative

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

Regrets:

Tracy Bock, President
Alex Godfrey, Past President

Call To Order:

Vice-President Mike Reddy called the meeting to order at 12:07PM.

Approval of the Agenda:

MOVED BY: Brad PATZER
SECONDED BY: Candace SEDDON

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 being reviewed by the LPA Committee at their meeting today. Comments were received from ten members.
- 2) Glenn Tait gave an update on the Helsby Drake website project. There will be a meeting with Mike Clory from Thentia on November 25 and 26. The Executive Committee will meet with him for a lunch meeting on November 26.
- 3) The Election for the three open seats on the Executive Committee opened on November 15 and will close at 11:00 on December 6, 2019. Eight nominations were received.
- 4) There will be an orientation session for the new Executive Committee after the Annual General Meeting. Time and Date will be determined.
- 5) A report from the NWT Law Foundation was presented for information.
- 6) Jonathan Herman and Morgan Cooper from the Federation of Law Societies of Canada will conduct an orientation session for LSNT members on February 11, 2020.

Finance:

- 1) The Variance Report as of December 13, 2019 was presented for information.

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.

Rule/Policy Amendments

MOVED BY: Brad PATZER
SECONDED BY: Ian RENNIE

THAT a Policy stating "Applicants for membership who are suspended members of another Canadian Law Society shall not be considered for membership, until their suspension in the other Law Society has been removed, and the applicant is entitled to practice law by the other Law Society" be added to the Policy Manual.

CARRIED

New Business:

- 1) The Supreme Court Criminal Bench and Bar Report was presented for information.
- 2) Membership Approvals-

MOVED BY: Ian RENNIE
SECONDED BY: Candace SEDDON

THAT Kathleen Turner and Christopher Armstrong be approved as non-resident active members, and that an articling period extension of 19 days be granted to Arielle Fewer.

CARRIED

Federation of Law Societies of Canada:

- 1) Karen Wilford reported that the next FLSC meeting will be held on December 9, 2019. Morgan Cooper is the new President.

Meeting Dates:

LSNT AGM: December 7, 10:00AM

LSNT Executive: December 7, 9:00AM

Meeting Adjourned: 12:40 PM.

Tracy Bock, President

Ian Rennie, Secretary