

LPP Steering Committee

Minutes

September 19, 2023

Attendees:

Brooke Byall
Jacqueline (Jackie) Morrison
Leslie Staples
Matthew Page
Melissa Parache
Monte Sleight
Steve Johnson
Tonya Wright
Brooke Byall
Scotti Hill
John Seegrist (Secretary)

Bar Staff:

MariBeth LeHoux, General Counsel
Kirsten Shumway, LPP Administrator

Excused:

Judge Amber Mettler (Chair)
Julie Emery
Anastasia Boyko

LPP Administrator Kirsten Shumway calls the meeting to order.

1. **Action**—Approval of draft meeting minutes from the June 20, 2023, LPP Steering Committee.
 - a. Tonya Wright motioned to approve, Jackie Morrison seconded, and the motion carried.
2. **Announcement** - New members to the LPP Steering Committee
 - a. Anastasia Boyko (S.J. Quinney Law School) who is replacingCarolynn Clark.
 - b. Brooke Byall, LPP.
3. **Announcement** – New Innovation Subcommittee Chair
 - a. Jackie Morrison
4. **Discussion** - Nomination for LPP Representative on the Office of Legal Services Innovation (LSI), aka the “Sandbox”
 - a. Lindsey Brandt Nominate by John Seegrist second by Brooke Byall.
 - b. An article from the Bar Journal by Lindsey Brandt discussing LPPs was forwarded to the committee.
 - c. Strong recommendations in favor.
 - d. **Action** - Approved for John Seegrist to extend an invitation to Lindsey Brandt

5. **Discussion** - Second Annual Legal Paraprofessional Summit at the University of Arizona in Tucson.
February 9, 2024.
 - a. Kirsten explained the value of attending.
Kirsten is to attend in person.
 - b. Online attendance is low price (Apx \$50)
6. **Action** - Vote on New committee member
 - a. Melissa Parache approved.
 - b. Melissa introduced herself
7. **Action** - Nominations for the Innovation Subcommittee.
 - a. Melissa Parache
 - b. Brooke Byall
 - c. Kirsten to send out a survey to Subcommittee members to determine a new meeting time.
8. **Action** - Nominations for the LPP Admissions Committee.
 - a. Responsibilities: Test accommodations, accommodations meetings, applicant hearings.
 - b. Leslie Staples volunteered.
9. **Discussion** - Update from the Bar
 - a. LPP work is high for all LPPs.
 - b. Licenses lawyer referrals up 65%
10. **Discussion** - Update from LPP Innovation Subcommittee.
 - a. Melissa observed that many need to learn the role of the LPP.
 - b. Judges have different understandings and allow different involvement in their courts.
 - c. Matt Page Recommended creating a video explaining the scope of the LPPs.
 - d. Arizona Bar has a video on their program comparing the LPPs to a Nurse practitioner.
 - e. Brooke reported that there is a huge need for access to legal help in housing.
11. **Rural Outreach** – No Report
12. **Announcement** - Outreach efforts

- a. High School outreach in November
- b. SLCC booth run by Sharee Laidlaw

13. **Other Business** -

- a. **Announcement** - Thursday at noon informal LPP meeting conducted by Kirsten
- b. **Discussion** - Resources for LPPs - The Facebook page started by Tonya is an excellent resource with many members.
- c. This is an unofficial site that is often hard to find.
- d. There is an LPP list serve that could be used but may need to be updated.
- e. Kirsten discussed the option of starting an LPP section for the Bar website. There may be a cost involved with this that could be passed on to the LPPs. There would be a minimum number of members needed to make this option viable financially. Matt suggested requesting a waiver for the page to get it up and running and show it has value. Matt will report back on this.
- f. **Discussion** - Training for expungement for LPPs. Tonya suggested using the existing training with some adjustments. Jake Smith is an expert in this area who may be willing to help.
- g. **Discussion** - There is a need to provide for Step-parent and Foster care adoptions from the state. The state only provides \$1,200 for legal reimbursement for state adoptions.
- h. There is a very limited number of attorneys that do state adoptions.
- i. Discussion - Guardianship is another area with a large need.

14. Adjourn

15. Next Meeting 10/17/2023