## **Minutes**

## Southwest Colorado Bar Association Monthly Lunch Meeting and CLE Presentation Zoom Conference Call August 25, 2021, 12:00-1:15 PM

- I. President, Julianne Begay called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.
- II. <u>Approve Agenda</u> The president presented the agenda for approval by poll; 10 in favor, 0 opposed; agenda was approved.

## III. Old Business:

- A. <u>Approval of minutes from July 21, 2021, meeting</u> The president presented the minutes for approval by poll; 10 in favor, 0 opposed; minutes approved
- B. Membership Survey Thanks to all who responded to the survey. A summary report of the survey results was to the membership on August 24, 2021. The board will continue to discuss the results and how best to incorporate feed back into activities and programming. Even though the survey is closed, member input is always welcome.
- C. <u>Happy Hour</u> The event is still on the schedule for September 9, 2021, 5:30 PM at 11<sup>th</sup> Street Station. Members were asked to please make sure to RSVP so the board will know how many people to expect and can plan food accordingly. An RSVP link was shared in the chat box. Southwest Water and Property Law has joined as a co-sponsor, with thanks. The board is aware of the continuing pandemic. The Happy Hour event will go forth as it is being held outdoors. Thus far 11<sup>th</sup> Street Station has not implemented a special COVID protocol. The membership will be notified if this changes.
- D. October Meeting This meeting will take place on October 26, 2021, in the banquet room of the Himalayan Kitchen at 12:00 PM. Joi Kush, CBA president and Judge Bernard will be guest presenters. A RSVP link will be created and sent to the membership. As this is an indoor event, masks must be worn except when presenting, asking questions, or eating or drinking. There will be a zoom option available for this meeting.

E. <u>Law in the Trenches</u> – This event is scheduled for November 9, 2021 at the Durango Public Library. There be a zoom option available. Masks will be required with the same protocols.

## III. New Business:

- F. <u>SWCBA</u> incorporation, non-profit status, and by-laws the SWCBA is not incorporated and is not recognized as a non-profit organization; a board priority is to change this. A key aspect of the process will be adopting by-laws. We currently do not have by-laws but are in the process of creating a draft for a first review by the membership. The goal is to send the first draft to the membership by September 14, with a final draft ready for approval by the membership, on the record, at the October 26, 2021 meeting.
- IV. <u>CLE Speaker, Cecil Morris</u> The president introduced the speaker at 12:15. Presentation materials were previously sent to the membership.
- V. <u>The presentation concluded with thanks to Mr. Morris and the meeting was adjourned at 1:11 PM</u>