

**WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR  
THE TREATMENT OF SEXUAL ABUSERS**

**BOARD MEETING**

**4.21.17**

**10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

**Attendees**

M. O'Connell; L. Paxton; M. Saylor; P. Spizman; F. Wolfe; J. Williamson; L. Trifiletti (by phone)

**Absent**

J. Colson; J. Landon; M. Pinedo; H. Coryell

**Agenda**

- 1) In regard to the Key Bank account:
  - a. The Board voted and unanimously agreed to remove Jennifer Wheeler from the bank account.
  - b. The Board unanimously agreed to maintain Linda Paxton's (Treasurer) status on the bank account.
  - c. The Board unanimously agreed to add Holly Coryell (President Elect) as a signee on the bank account.
  - d. Both Holly Coryell and Linda Paxton will be holders of the WATSA debit cards.
  - e. In the future the outgoing president will be responsible for transitioning individuals on and off of the bank account.
  - f. Linda and Holly will coordinate and go to a Key Bank branch together. They will provide their SSNs, a photo ID, WATSA's EIN, an original copy of these minutes, signed by Paul Spizman, President and Linda Paxton, Treasurer.
- 2) The WATSA Paypal account is currently in Dan Knoepfler's name. Linda Paxton will put the account in her name.
- 3) In regard to the website, the following people are authorized as administrators: D. Knoepfler, L. Trifiletti, L. Paxton, M. Saylor, P. Spizman, H. Coryell. L. Paxton is the billing administrator.
- 4) Retreat update:
  - a. The Board agreed to offer Bob Schilling two nights stay at Mountain View Lodge.
  - b. Maureen will follow up with Kim at MVL to determine when the unreserved rooms will be released.
  - c. The Friday night dinner will be provided by WATSA. Please bring a side, appetizer, or dessert to share.
- 5) The September WATSA meeting will be at King County Sexual Assault Resource Center in Renton.
- 6) The Board discussed how to get WATSA members from Eastern Washington more involved in the monthly meetings. It would be ideal to have two Eastern Washington representatives on the Board. At a minimum the Board members will be asked to attend the conference, the retreat, and at least one other meeting. This will be revisited during the January elections. In the interim, there is the opportunity for any individuals from Eastern Washington to phone into meetings. Please follow up with Lisa if you are interested ([Trifiletti.lisa@gmail.com](mailto:Trifiletti.lisa@gmail.com))
- 7) Florence Wolfe has emeritus status on the WATSA Board and she is eligible for CE credits.

## Business Items

**Program Committee**– The 2018 Conference will be held at Semiahmoo but we are unlikely to return to that location due to high cost and customer service experience. In addition many conference attendees this year commented that they preferred Suncadia. The 2018 conference will feature Franca Cortoni. There was a discussion of increasing the registration fee by \$50 to cover the added expense of the venue.

The Board would like to say thank you to Maureen Saylor for her hard work and dedication to putting on the conferences.

*Additional upcoming training opportunities: N/A*  
*Eastern WA chapter issues: N/A*

**Membership Committee** – No update

### **Sex Offender Policy / Media Committee** –

Michael O’Connell gave an update on the collaboration with the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) on the model policy for leveling offenders. WASPC has a finalized draft of their model policy and they will be voting on it in the near future. It will be implemented soon after that.

Richard Packard corresponded with Jennifer Richie (the Chief Deputy Prosecutor in King County for SVP cases) regarding an LRA client of his who received an unconditional discharge. Richard was asked to take on more LRA clients and he responded with a letter detailing under what conditions he would be willing to do so.

Michael O’Connell has been in communication with Keri Waterland (DOC Assistant Secretary for Offender Change) regarding how DOC decision making is driven by liability concerns and this has had an adverse impact on transitioning offenders into the community, particularly LRA clients. Michael, Richard Packard, Dan Yanisch, Holly Pullman (Meryhew Law Group) will be meeting with Dan Quinn (DOC) in May to have a more in depth discussion.

The Sex Offender Management Conference is coming up 5/31-6/2. WASPC has expressed concerns on behalf of their members about having registered sex offenders attend the conference. The SOPB and others are working on addressing these concerns.

### **Budget Committee**

Total assets: \$35,032.38

Net income: -\$2,545.30

*Other Issues: N/A*

## Agenda items for future meetings