

MINUTES FROM CLE COMMITTEE MEETING: JUNE 27, 2007
FLORIDA BAR ANNUAL MEETING

Attendees:	Chair	Patricia Alexander
	Incoming Chair	Carin Porras
	Vice Chair	John Schutz
	Co-Secretary	Amy Hamlin
	Co-Secretary	Doug Greenbaum
	Incoming Co-Secretary	Odette Bendeck
	Incoming Co-Secretary	Ryan Doherty
		Mary Evans
		Frank Zilaitis
		Carmen Gillet
		Charlotte Karlan
		Ingrid Keller
		Eddie Stephens
		Joe Hood
		Lawrence Katz
		R.T. White
		Caryn Green
		Jeannie Etter
		Charles Fox Miller
		Michael Gilden
		Eric Bruce
		Rosanna Ferrari
		Heather Trailer
		Robyn Vines
		Allyson Hughes

- A. Welcome and Call to Order:
1. Meeting called to Order
 2. The names of the attendees are listed above
 3. Welcome to the last CLE meeting of 2006-2007
 4. The Chair handed Thank You certificates to the members, to thank everyone who participated in the Committee this year
 5. She also recommended that the CLE meetings for next year be extended by 30 minutes because there is never enough time to address all issues
 6. The Chair provided the members with an Agenda for today's meeting
- B. Minutes from the January 27, 2007 Meeting:
1. No one had the Minutes from the last meeting
 2. It was moved and seconded to table approving the Minutes from the January 27 meeting until the next CLE meeting
 3. The Motion was approved by the Committee

C. Old Business:

1. Cert Review:
 - a. Thank you to Caryn Green and Charles Fox Miller for a great job with Cert Review
 - b. Caryn will help put together the seminar for next year
 - c. Caryn stated that she wants to keep the energy going

2. Military Affairs Seminar:
 - a. The Military Issues Affecting Family Law Practice was held on February 21, 2007
 - b. Joe Hood reported that the seminar was successful but the total revenue was \$-2,674.
 - c. The run through of the presentation was a good idea so that the Power Point presentations and Webinar people could work together
 - d. Eddie Stephens stated that as long as the speakers are comfortable and everyone is somewhat familiar with the technology, everything should be ok.
 - e. Debby Beck is not using the same conference system for every seminar and there may be some glitches; talk to Eddie Stephens or John Schutz for insight on technology snafus
 - f. Joe Hood does not know the attendance figures for the seminar but he thinks at least 75 people were logged on
 - g. You can order a copy of the audio materials

3. Equitable Distribution Seminar:
 - a. Crunching And Massaging The Numbers, A Financial Workout for Matrimonial Lawyers was held on March 15 and 16, 2007
 - b. The seminar was successful; the total revenue was \$14,917
 - c. Tampa was well attended
 - d. Joe Hood spoke at the seminar and thinks it was a full house in both locations
 - e. The Chair cautioned everyone that when you prepare the speakers, please warn them to be careful with the jokes because there were some negative feedback about offensive jokes.

4. Spring Retreat:
 - a. This year the Spring Retreat was in Key West
 - b. Odette Bendeck stated that the Retreat was fun and there were great speakers but she has one concern: by the time she received the brochure, there were no rooms available at the hotel.
 - c. We have to get the brochures out early; we just got the brochures for the next Legislative Update seminar
 - d. This committee has an obligation to move things along

5. Legislative Seminar:
 - a. This year was a big year for legislation
 - b. We should attend the telephonic seminar on. July 19, 2007
 - c. Jeff Weissman will moderate and next year R. T. White shall be the Chair

- D. Seminar Updates/New Business:
 1. Trial Advocacy Seminar:
 - a. Terry Fogel, Carin Porras, and Alex Caballero have put together a wonderful program
 - b. We put on a Trial Advocacy seminar every other year
 - c. This seminar is scheduled for August 16 - 19 at the Golf Resort, Ritz Carlton, in Naples
 - d. This is a heavy duty program
 - e. Terry stated that there will two separate fact patters; one for demonstrators and one for participants
 - f. There will be a straight examination of cross examination of experts; this will be great for those lawyers who are terrified to cross examine an expert on financial issues
 - g. All are encouraged to come
 - h. If you not a participant at the seminar and are willing to help put together exhibits, please e-mail Terry immediately

 2. The CLE Committee voted last year to not put on a seminar for September because there are several Jewish holidays that month and it is too close in time to the general meeting in the summer; but, we have always had large seminars in September and March

 3. Agreement Seminar:
 - a. R. T. White and John Schutz are working on this seminar which is scheduled for October 3 and 4, 2007
 - b. The seminar is on schedule
 - c. Four speakers are already lined up and the topics are set
 - d. Some of the speakers are Ky Koch, Jeff Fisher, and Ben Hodas and there is a speaker to address tax issues
 - e. The hotel is not locked in yet

 4. Fall Retreat
 - a. Allyson Hughes, the in-coming Chair attended the meeting and welcomed everyone
 - b. This is a great turn out for the CLE Committee; this has always been a hard working committee
 - c. Fall Retreat scheduled for November 1 -4, 2007 at the Ritz Carlton in Amelia Island
 - d. Lawrence Datz is working on some great things for us to do

coming Chair, will work on this seminar.

9. The Spring Retreat Sante Fe, New Mexico is on target
10. This year we had a free month in May and we may want to keep it a free month
11. In August 2008, Scott Rubin, the next incoming Chair, will have a possible leadership retreat in July/August 2008 in Marco Island. His Fall Retreat is tentatively scheduled to be a cruise to the Bahamas and a Spring Retreat to be in New Orleans
12. R.T. White will Chair the Legislative Seminar in 2008 and will work with Rosanna Ferrari, who will be the Chair for this seminar in 2009
13. John Schutz shall Chair the Champagne Divorce On A Beer Budget in March 2009
14. We should keep the Children's Issues seminar in September or October 2009; Caryn Green and Charlotte Karlan will Chair and co-Chair
15. Eddie Stephens suggested that we do another telephonic seminar; maybe we should do this in February 2010
16. We have November open in 2009. The Commentator is doing Attorney's Fees in 2008. We can do an Attorney's Fees seminar in this slot.
17. We have a telephonic seminar planned for 2010 and the Chair would like to have a new topic. Allyson Hughes suggested Law Office Management. We can bring LOMAS in to help
18. There will be a telephonic Legislative seminar in July 2010. The next Chair should ask Peter Gladstone, who will be the Chair of the Section at that time, if he wants to have a Leadership Retreat in July 2010
19. May 2010 is open for a seminar but there is the AAML seminar that also occurs this month
20. Other New Business: We need to address Elder issues in the seminars.
21. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting, which ended at 11:41 AM

(Submitted by Amy Hamlin)