



STATE OF WISCONSIN – JUDICIAL COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WISCONSIN JUDICIAL COUNCIL MADISON, WISCONSIN June 21, 2019

The Judicial Council met at 9:35 a.m. in the Senate Parlor, State Capitol, Madison, Wisconsin.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair William C. Gleisner; Sarah Walkenhorst Barber; Judge Eugene A. Gasiorkiewicz; Christian Gossett; Duane Harlow; Dennis Myers; Ben Pliskie; Adam Plotkin; Judge Scott Needham; John R. Orton; Thomas L. Shriner; and Senator Van H. Wanggaard.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Representative Ott; Judge Vandehay; Sherry Coley; Judge Fitzpatrick; Judge Jeff Wagner; Diane Fremgen; Margo Kirchner; Sara Ward-Cassidy; and Steven Wright.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS: Justice Ann Walsh Bradley; State Bar Representatives (Jill Kasner, President-Elect; Lynn Davis; Larry Martin; Chris Rogers, Past-President); Tom Bertz; Devon Lee; Judge Brian Blanchard; Judge Michael Fitzpatrick; Federal Judge Beth Hanan; and Nick Zales.

TALKS DURING THE RECEPTION

Senator Wanggaard addressed the Council at length and promised that he would assist the Council with finding a new “home” in the Legislative Council. The Senator discussed what he referred to as the good work of the Council and the unselfish industry of its members.

Justice Ann Walsh Bradley also addressed the Council and expressed similar sentiments.

AWARDS BESTOWED

Plaque to Devon Lee for seven years service on the Council.

Plaque to Sherry Coley for three years service on the Council.

I. Roll Call and approval of the Minutes of May 18, 2018.

Minutes were approved.

II. Discussion of and adoption of Council Calendar for 2018-2019.

Calendar approved as follows:

Friday, September 20, 2019
Friday, October 18, 2019
Friday, November 15, 2019
(No meeting in December)
Friday, January 17, 2020
Friday, February 21, 2020
Friday, March 20, 2020
(No meeting in April)
Friday, May 15, 2020
Friday, June 19, 2020

III. Discussions of Response by Council to the Latest Open Record Request.

Chair Gleisner reported that the Council had complied with the latest Open Record Request from Mr. Andrew Cook of the Hamilton Consulting Group on behalf of the Wisconsin Civil Justice Council. That Open Record Request was received on May, 24, 2019.

IV. New Business.

A motion was made and seconded that over the Council's recess the Executive Committee of the Judicial Council could negotiate with the Legislative Council concerning an affiliation with the Legislative Council.

V. Council Nominations and Annual Election.

Floor nominations were made. Attorney Gleisner was nominated for another term as Chair of the Council and was unanimously elected. Attorney Orton was nominated for another term as Vice-Chair of the Council and was unanimously elected.

VI. New Projects.

Chair Gleisner discussed an ABA article highlighting new changes to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Mr. Gleisner suggested that the Council pursue suggested changes to Wisconsin's Rules based on developments in the Federal Rules.

VII. Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11 a.m.