

**OSB ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES¹**

Friday, February 8, 2013, at approximately 9:15 a.m.

The meeting was held at Schwabe Williamson Wyatt's office in Portland, Oregon.

Attendance (13 members attended, quorum achieved)

In person: Kirk Maag, Aurora Paulsen, Patrick Rowe, Karen Moynahan, Dustin Till, Duncan Delano, Laura Maffei, Jared Ogden, Larry Burke, Lawson Fite.

Via Telephone: Sarah Liljefelt, Scott Morrill, Anzie Nelson, Aurora Paulsen, Kate LaRiche Moore, Sarah Winter Whelan

Others in Attendance: Diane Henkels

Excused: Dan Mensher, John Marsh, Hong Huynh

1. Approval of Minutes from January 2013 Meeting (Karen)

Minutes approved.

2. Chair's Report (Laura)

Friends of Trees planting will be on March 2nd in SE Portland. The ENR section is a co-sponsors. Laura encourages participation from the Exec Committee. The project needs 40 volunteers per site. Interested members should sign up through OSB.

Exec Committee Member number- We have 16 members on the Exec Committee, but according to the bylaws we can have 17 members. The advantages to having another person on the committee is that we will have more help on our subcommittees. Brooks Foster was the next person on the list of interested Exec Committee candidates, so Laura will call him to see if he is still interested.

Section name change follow up—Laura has checked our bylaws to see if we need to go through BOG to change our section name, which is grammatically incorrect. While our bylaws don't require BOG approval, Scott reports that OSB does require that approval. Thus, our consensus is to leave the name as is.

3. Treasurer's Report (Patrick)

OSB hasn't posted any financial reports since November, so there is no Treasurer's Report.

¹ A quorum of the ENR EC is composed of at least 9 of the 17 members.

4. Bar Liaison Report (Scott)

OSB is encouraging liaisons to attend section meetings by phone, which Scott is already doing. Treasurer training is February 21st at 1:30. Patrick may attend.

OSB will purge section membership lists mid-February. They will provide a complete membership list, a list of members who have dropped out of the section and a list of new members.

5. Fastcase (Sarah L., Anzie, Hong)

A subcommittee of Duncan, Kate, Dustin and Sarah L. was formed to talk to WRD and DEQ. They have not yet met, but Sarah L reported that pending legislation this session is related to how agencies store their orders (i.e. electronically or hard copy). Sarah suggests that we wait and see—if the agencies are required to store their orders electronically, then we may approach them about posting the orders. Consensus is to follow Sarah’s suggestion and wait until we see if the legislation is passed.

6. Updating ENR deskbook (Laura)

Volume One is about to go to the Bar. Volume Two is still in progress. Diane Henkels called in to discuss her assistance with a Climate Change section. She is interested in collaborating with the Sustainable Futures section on that chapter. Laura recalls some contact with the Sustainable Futures section last year, but they were not yet interested as they were still forming their section. Diane is the contact for that section’s participation. She will keep us apprised.

7. Brownbags (Anzie)

The last brownbag, which was on the Ruby Pipeline decision, was Wednesday. Thanks to Duncan for hosting.

Future brownbags – A mining law primer brownbag will be held at Schwabe on March 14th. David Rubino, who worked on the Fox River Superfund site in Wisconsin, is willing to do brownbag that perhaps will be held in April. Laura still arranging Scott Jerger to speak on citizen suits and prosecutions.

Sarah Winter Whelan suggested that Gabriela Goldfarb discuss the territorial seas plan. Dustin suggested a brownbag on the Columbia River Treaty negotiations. Dustin will discuss this with John Marsh as possible presenter.

8. Casenotes (Jared)

Jared would like to host a pizza party for Willamette Law Online students for allowing us to post their updates. He asked that some Exec Committee members participate. The party would be held in late March or early April after the Willamette Online Board holds its elections. Laura,

Larry, Lawson and Karen would like to attend. Exec wholeheartedly agrees to host the pizza party.

9. E-Outlooks (Sarah L.)

Sarah L. reported that John Marsh had expressed interest in a Columbia River Treaty E-Outlook last year, so if we do a brownbag on this topic it would be good to coordinate.

Lawson and Sarah W. are planning to develop an in-depth E-Outlook on article by the end of February regarding the legislative process on new marine protected areas off the Oregon coast.

Dustin has received a list of current environmental bills that have been submitted to the Legislature. He will forward the list to entire section. Dustin is willing to track bills for Exec Committee and send updates on select bills. Ultimately, Dustin will do a summary for E-Outlook.

Contact Sarah L. if you have ideas for other E-Outlook articles.

10. Field trips (Lawson)

A Big Pipe tour not is possible anymore because it is fully functional. Karen will work with Lawson on a Water Pollution Control Lab tour. Laura will coordinate a wastewater treatment lab tour.

Portland Harbor Tour- It might be feasible to charge members to participate due to the high cost of a boat ride. Lawson will try to schedule a tour in early September.

Karen will also check with the City composting facility for a possible tour.

11. Annual CLE (John)

John is excused today. Laura reported that the first meeting will be held next month. October 11th is secured with the Edgefield. John will hold the subcommittee's first meeting in person, probably at Schwabe over lunch. We will hold our Exec Committee meeting on October 4th.

12. New Business (Laura)

Laura has no new business to report. Patrick reported on the Brownfields redevelopment fund. We will add a section on Legislative Updates in our next agenda.

Next Meeting Date: The next Executive Committee meeting will be at 9:15 a.m. on March 11, 2013, at Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt, 1211 SW 5th Ave., Suite 1900. If you will not be able to attend, please notify Karen Moynahan before the meeting via email to be excused.