

OSB ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

Friday, March 20, 2015, at 9:15 a.m.

ATTENDEES: In person: Patrick Rowe, Larry Burke, Kirk Maag, Anzie St. Clair, Scott Morrill

Phone: Sarah Liljefelt, Rose, Kate Moore, Karen Moynahan, Matt Preusch, Dustin Till

Excused: Jared Ogden, Lawson Fite, Chris Winter, Rose Francis, Mary Ann Nash, David Rabbino, Mike Freese, John Marsh

Quorum achieved.

1. Approval of Minutes

Action: February minutes approved with change of date to 2015 (not 2014).

2. Chair's Report (Patrick)

Dick Roy was contacted by attorney in Philadelphia trying to solicit a petition for action on climate change. The proposal is to send it out to the ENR section listserve but not take a position on it as a section.

Action: Patrick will circulate the petition to the exec committee and ask the committee to make a decision next exec meeting.

3. Bar Liaison Report (Scott)

Today is Scott's last day. He is not sure who his replacement will be, but expect a communication from the bar. OSB Reminders: For a section expense reimbursement, the person owed money needs to fill out the bar's expense reimbursement form and submit to the bar with receipt. The Executive Committee should have received a 2015 membership report. Sylvia Stevens is retiring at end of 2015.

4. Treasurer's Report (Dustin)

\$11,488 was the account balance in January. \$12,272 was the balance in February. Dustin will send a written report to append to the minutes. The section has 507 total members. We are on target for our 2015 budget.

5. Publications

a. Updating ENR deskbook (Laura)

Laura Maffei spoke at the last meeting. She has not contacted anyone in the Executive Committee since her report.

b. Casenotes (Jared)

No report.

c. E-Outlooks (Sarah L.)

Mike Freese sent an email out summarizing bills, asking for feedback. The legislative summary should come out soon, next week.

6. Education/CLE

a. Brownbags (Anzie)

There are four possible presentations: (1) environmental insurance issues in April, (2) sage grouse in May or June, (3) Indian Law series in summer, partnering with the Indian law section, and (4) Oregon APA (will have to contact Paul Garrahan and Larry Knudsen at the end of legislative session to schedule for late summer).

b. Field trips (Rose)

Rose asked whether there is possible interest in visiting the Bonneville Dam. Other ideas include city compost facility, water pollution control lab, wastewater treatment plant at Tryon Creek. The OSB requires all events to be accessible to people with disabilities and should make appropriate accommodations. Best resource at bar on this is the deputy director Amber Hollister.

c. Annual CLE (Karen)

October 23 at McMenamins Edgefield. The first subcommittee meeting is scheduled in a couple weeks.

d. Legislation (Mike/Dustin/David)

Discussed in the context of E-Outlooks.

7. Committees

a. Pro Bono (Chris)

No report.

b. Technology (Kate)

No news. There was a discussion on videoconferencing. Now available through bar for free. If the section uses the bar facility in Tigard, they can provide videoconferencing for a CLE.

c. Diversity (Larry)

Larry will contact Mary Anne and the bar's diversity and inclusion director for suggestions.

d. Law Student Recruitment (Karen M./Karin P.)

No report. Executive Committee discussed focus on Lewis and Clark because of proximity and level of student interest in environmental law.

e. 2016 Budget (Dustin/Karen M.)

Dustin and Karen are working on this and will have more to report in the fall.

8. New Business (Patrick)

None.

Next Meeting: Friday, April 17, 2015, starting at 9:15 a.m., at Sussman Shank, 1000 Southwest Broadway, Suite 1400, Portland, Oregon