

**OSB ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Friday, October 21, 2016**

LOCATION

In person: Tonkon Torp LLP
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Portland, OR 97204

By phone: Dial 1-888-891-0496 and enter 150048

In person: Kate Moore, Karen Moynahan, Dave Becker, Stacy Owen (bar liaison), Caylin Barter, Lawson Fite

By telephone: Caroline Lobdell, Rose Francis, Sarah Liljefelt, Dustin Till, Laysan Unger

Excused: David Rabbino, Patrick Rowe, Mike Freese, Anzie St. Clair, Chris Winter

Quorum achieved (requires 9 of 17 members)

Minutes will be addressed at next meeting. David Becker to distribute notes from April meeting. Question regarding note taker at September meeting due to K. Moore absence.

Chair's report (Karen):

House of Delegates meeting 12/4/16, which Karen will attend and report back on that at the January meeting.

Chris Winter and Anzie St. Clair will not be with committee next year. Need to fill at election in December, discussed further below.

Bar Liaison Report (Stacy):

At upcoming House of Delegates meeting discussion regarding Delegate Resolution #4 relating to Section CLEs of four or more hours - "Opt out of Bar membership co-sponsorship" (being offered by chairs of Labor and Consumer Sections). ENR Section's primary concern with changes it to keep the cost of the section's CLE attainable. The ability to opt out would provide an alternative if need be.

Motion to opt-out approved with unanimous vote. Karen to vote at HOD meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Lawson):

Approx. \$14,000 in bank, but expect some of that to go down due to CLE and holiday events. Paid member count 516, complimentary membership 29, total 549 members. Paid memberships slightly down from a year ago. Complimentary memberships have increased since a couple of years ago, and anticipate these will become paid memberships once students graduate.

Will propose 2017 budget at next meeting. Lawson, Kate and Dustin will meet to discuss in advance. Again in situation where section is accruing money, and might be in position to either lower the cost of the CLE or evaluate other options.

Have funds available for end of year award.

Bar can do fund transfer from our section account to cover fees for CLE approval (through Denise Klein at the bar, copying Lawson).

Publications:

ENR Deskbook (Kirk Maag)

No report

Casenotes (Diane Lloyd, absent)

No report

E-Outlooks (Sarah L.)

E-Outlook went out earlier in month on Supreme Court case regarding court's ability to review U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' jurisdictional determinations. Plan to have one more before end of 2016.

Education/CLE:

Brownbags (Anzie, absent)

Emailed update that Devon Franklin working on brownbag with Anzie now on forensics. Jennifer Gates and Rachel Melissa of Pearl Legal Group would present. Kate to touch base with Anzie about possibly hosting at Dunn Carney.

Field Trips (Rose)

WHOOSHH facility field trip a success. Attended by approx. 30 people (not all members). Was approved for 1 hour CLE credit.

Next field trip is for March to visit a forest project near Estacada.

Annual CLE (Dustin Till)

Annual CLE a success. Some of planning on agenda and speakers a little later than ideal, but program ran smoothly. Good reviews, including a number of comments that multiple views represented (not just private practice). Evaluations and summary were circulated by email. No complaints regarding facility, food, or program.

Will get final invoices from McMenimans. Seemed their service this year was not an issue. Can order less food for reception next year (could limit to cheese and crackers), but food was good (like Mexican option for lunch).

Sponsors appreciated having logos up on screen at start of program and during breaks, as well as print outs near bar for reception.

Legislation (Mike Freese/David Rabbino)

No reports this month.

Committees:

Pro Bono (Chris Winter, absent)

No report.

Technology (Kate Moore/Anzie/Sarah L.)

Bar's draft website update has been sent to Kate, who will forward to Sarah. Looking good so far and has nice mobile format as well. Gathering photos now.

Diversity (David Becker/Kate Moore)

Would like to expand the diversity on the EC as the section's membership. Geographic diversity may be an easier first task, including even outside of Oregon. Ethnic and racial diversity may require an interim step by developing relationships with some of the specialty bars (OAPABA, diversity section, and others).

Will work with nominating committee.

Section Nominations/Membership (Kirk Maag?)

Will have multiple positions vacant starting next year. Anzie and Chris Winter will not be returning. Patrick Rowe may also leave the committee. Other officers plan to remain. Karen to distribute email to confirm.

Devon Franklin has expressed some interest in joining, and has helped out with brownbag and CLE in past. Maura Fahey works with Chris Winter and may be interested in joining. John Dunbar's name also suggested or Bridget Donagan (sp?) from Larkins. Also Dominic Carollo or Chris Griffiths in Roseburg. Steve Morash (?) in Vancouver. Rebecca Giau (sp?) at BPA (but Rose also there and some rules to avoid that "to the extent possible").

Rose will help out with nominating committee and plans to reach out to Rebecca to see if she is interested. Caroline will also participate. David Becker and Kate Moore to work with them.

Stacy will let us know when we need slate pulled together.

Sarah L. is willing to serve as secretary next year.

Other

No other news to report.