

OSB ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECTION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, February 17, 2017

LOCATION

In person: Dunn Carney
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MINUTES

In person: Dustin Till, Karen Moynahan, Maura Fahey, Kate Moore, Kirg Maag, Dave Becker, Tiffany Johnson, Sarah Liljefelt, Stacy Owen (Bar liaison)

By telephone: Lawson Fite, Dave Rabbino, Diane Lloyd, Rose Francis

Excused: Caylin Barter, Mike Freese

Quorum achieved (requires 9 of 17 members)

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from November, 2016 and January, 2017 were approved.

Chair's report (Dustin):

Dustin completed and submitted the ENR Section report to the OSB.

Dustin was contacted by the Oregon Green Business Assoc. and Lewis & Clark Law School about having the ENR section distribute materials about events the entities are promoting. Discussion was had about whether to promote events and how the ENR section might be involved, as well as reasons to not provide this type of service. Consensus was reached that Dustin will respond to the entities that any ENR section member can use the ENR listserv to distribute promotions, but that we should also provide an explanation about decorum for using the ENR listserv.

Related to the above, Sarah will research details about the ENR listserv in order to distribute information to ENR members.

Dustin was contacted by the Indian Law section to co-host a CLE in the fall. Discussion was had about feasibility concerns and opportunities to cover overlapping subjects between the

sections. Consensus was reached to invite the Indian Law section to be a “sponsor” of the ENR section’s annual CLE by helping to put together a panel at the ENR CLE and to promote the CLE within the Indian Law section membership. Under this plan, no issues will arise regarding budget or splitting costs/income. Dustin will respond to the Indian Law section and will include CLE panel topic suggestions. Dustin will also inform the Indian Law section that we host brownbag CLEs throughout the year and would be willing to co-host a brownbag CLE if the Indian Law section has an idea.

Bar Liaison Report (Stacy):

OSB is currently working on putting a list together of current ENR members that will break down who is new, who didn’t renew, etc.

Matt Shields at the Bar Public Affairs office emailed Stacy and inquired if anyone from our section would be willing to put together a legislative summary of notable bills after the legislative session. The Bar can use the summary we provide our members for the annual legislative E-Outlook, so Sarah will forward at the appropriate time.

Treasurer’s Report (Lawson):

End of year financials are not yet available, so Kate will provide a report when financials are received.

Publications:

ENR Deskbook (Kirk/Karen)

No update.

Casenotes (Diane)

No update from Diane. Brief discussion about hourly rate for Casenotes editor, and matter was tabled until October/November to discuss in conjunction with annual budget.

E-Outlooks (Sarah)

No update.

Education/CLE:

Brownbags (David R.)

Maura volunteered to co-chair the committee.

Field Trips (Rose/Mike/Caylin)

USFS field trip and Portland Harbor field trip both considered for this summer. Discussion about holding USFS field trip in June or even earlier in the spring, and Portland Harbor in September. Lawson will follow up with USFS to determine availability. Rose will follow up with Karen about the Portland Harbor field trip.

Annual CLE (Lawson)

The CLE committee held its first meeting last month. Three topic areas have been selected, and the CLE is scheduled for Friday October 13. Lawson will send the Edgefield food and beverage contract to the OSB for signature. Dave B. and Kate will be added to the CLE planning emails. We will need sponsors for the social hour.

Legislation (Mike/David R.)

Stacy will ask Matt Shields about services offered by the OSB for bill tracking so the ENR section can determine what information we can offer our members during the legislative session.

Dave will review the lists of bills created by the OSB and Mike, and Dave and Mike will confer about bills that could be included in the OSB bill tracker service (depending on what the OSB reports it can offer).

Committees:

Pro Bono (vacant)

Reminder that this committee is vacant and that the following tasks were identified at last meeting: 1) Email the section for members to be placed on the pro bono registry; 2) Email current persons on the registry to verify continued participation; 3) Update pro bono registry; 4) Advertise registry on website or with other ideas; 5) Provide registry to Stacy so the Bar can use it as part of its lawyer referral service.

Technology (Kate/Sarah)

A draft website template has been created and Kate will review to provide edits to the Bar. She expects the website could be active within a month or two.

Diversity (Dave B./Kate)

Maura volunteered to be part of the Committee. Dave, Kate, and Maura will brainstorm in the spring about ideas to create diversity. Stacy informed the Executive Committee that Jonathan Puente is the new Director of Diversity and Inclusion at the OSB.

Other/New Business:

ENR Section needs to list Executive Committee Membership and Annual Award/Meeting on its agenda for future meetings. Sarah will update the agenda to make it so.