

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

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 – 12:00 p.m.

ENR Executive Committee Members: Jessica Bernardini, Ryan Shannon, Maureen Bayer, Caylin Barter, Sara Ghafouri, Dominic Carollo, Chris Thomas, Sage Ertman, Marika Sitz, Lindsay Thane, Sadie Normoyle, Cassie Roberts, Mike Eliason, Olivier Jamin, Hannah Goldblatt, Laura Kerr

Present: Jessica Bernardini, Ryan Shannon, Maureen Bayer, Caylin Barter, Sara Ghafouri, Dominic Carollo, Chris Thomas, Sage Ertman, Marika Sitz, Lindsay Thane, Sadie Normoyle, Cassie Roberts

Quorum (minimum of 9 of 16) – Quorum reached

Excused: Hannah Goldblatt, Laura Kerr, Avalyn Taylor (resigned from EC)

Unexcused: Mike Eliason, Olivier Jamin

Section Members & General Public (non-EC): Stacy Owen (OSB)

Meeting commenced at 12:02 with quorum

**MINUTES**

**1. Approval of Minutes (Chris Thomas on behalf of Laura Kerr)**

Jessica was excused and Hannah should have been referenced rather than Jessica in the Case Notes discussion. Sara moved to approve the minutes as amended, Marika seconded. Ryan abstained; all others present voted in favor. The motion to approve the minutes passed.

**2. Chair's Report (Ryan Shannon)**

Avalyn Taylor has stepped down from the Executive Committee. Ryan suggests not filling position at this time since we are close to the end of the year. Stacy reports that Avalyn's term ends at the end of this year; will seek to fill that position as part of the larger slate of new electors. In the meantime, the executive committee (EC) will fill her positions on Committees.

**3. Bar Liaison Report (Stacy Owen)**

Stacy reported that she has not yet obtained information about the issue with spam filters catching messages from the OSB. Stacy will continue to investigate. Ryan asked Stacy to prioritize this matter since the annual CLE is coming up soon.

**4. Treasurer's Report (Sara Ghafouri)**

There have been some modest expenditures recently related to the Annual CLE but the Section has ample budget remaining. Currently have 488 paid members and 67 comped members.

**5. Publications**

**a. ENR Deskbook (Ryan Shannon, Sara Ghafouri, Dominic Carollo)**

Ryan reiterated that earlier in the year there had been discussion about whether to dedicate significant resources to update the Deskbook for the first time since 2012. Ryan and Dominic spoke to representatives from the OSB, discussed idea to contract with paid editors (but still volunteer contributors) to drive the Deskbook update process. EC will send survey to Section to gauge interest and potentially help find volunteers to update the Deskbook.

**b. Case Notes (Hannah Goldblatt and Jessica Bernardini)**

Jessica discussed recent case notes; she and Hannah will be starting that process again soon for the next edition.

**c. E-Outlooks (Chris Thomas and Dominic Carollo)**

Chris provided brief update on edition that was recently published and upcoming edition authored by Lindsay Thane.

**6. Education/CLE**

**a. Brownbags (Sage Ertman, Olivier Jamin and Marika Sitz)**

Marika reported on the recent brownbag. The turn-out was good and it was a good conversation despite missing one of the panelists.

**b. Field Trips (Maureen Bayer, Laura Kerr and Caylin Barter)**

Maureen reported that the recent field trip to Linnton went well. Attendance was good and the conversations were positive. The Committee has decided not to proceed with kayaking/paddleboard field trip this year.

**c. Annual CLE (Maureen Bayer, Dominic Carollo, Olivier Jamin, Laura Kerr, Cassie Roberts, Lindsay Thane, Chris Thomas)**

Dominic expressed thanks to all that have helped plan the Annual CLE. At this time all of the panels have been filled out and the DEQ Director has agreed to be the keynote speaker. Dominic is considering getting a A/V vendor to assist with the technology. Ryan reiterated that the Section has sufficient funds, could pay for A/V vendor if necessary. Schwabe and Stoel are going to sponsor the associated happy hour.

**7. Committees**

**a. Pro Bono (Dominic Carollo and Olivier Jamin)**

Nothing to report.

**b. Diversity (Sage Ertman, Sara Ghafouri and Sadie Normoyle)**

Sage reported that virtual Diversity Career Panel is scheduled for next Thursday. This is targeted at the three Oregon law schools, information has been sent to the schools so students can register. No update yet on the diversity stipend application process.

**c. Executive Committee Membership (Sara Ghafouri, Chris Thomas and non-EC member)**

Ryan received email from Bar about process to vote on EC membership for the next year. Sara and Chris will continue serving on this Committee and will ask Mark to serve as the non-EC member again.

**d. Annual Award/Meeting (TBD and non-EC member)**

Ryan asked for volunteers for this Committee. Maureen, Lindsay and Dominic volunteered.

**e. Legislation (Caylin Barter and Mike Eliason)**

Caylin reported that legislative days are happening next week.

## **8. Technology (Maureen Bayer and Hannah Goldblatt)**

Maureen has been updating the website to ensure that everything is properly documented and reflects everything that is going on (e.g., Annual CLE, brownbags, etc.).

## **9. Other/New Business (Ryan Shannon)**

No other new business to report.

Meeting concluded at 12:57