

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

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 – 12:00 p.m.

Members: Jessica Bernardini, Ryan Shannon, Sara Ghafouri, Dominic Carollo, Chris Thomas, Sage Ertman, Mike Eliason, Laura Kerr, Hannah Goldblatt, David Hori, Lynne Dzubow, Maureen Bayer, Lindsay Thane, Marika Sitz, Cassie Roberts, Rebeka Dawit, and Olivier Jamin.

Present: Dominic Carollo, Sara Ghafouri, Hannah Goldblatt, Rebeka Dawit, Jessica Bernardini, Marika Sita, Lindsay Thane, Lynne Dzubow, David Hori, Chris Thomas, Maureen Bayer, Ryan Shannon, Olivier Jamin, Sage Ertman, and Laura Kerr.

Quorum (minimum of 9 of 16) – Quorum reached.

Excused: Cassie Roberts and Mike Eliason.

Unexcused:

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

Meeting commenced at 12:02

LOCATION

By Zoom Video Conferencing:

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MINUTES¹

1. Approval of Minutes (Sara Ghafouri)

Dominic Carollo moved to approve the minutes, which include the edits to the Case Notes section, and Sage Ertman seconded. Maureen Bayer, Jessica Bernardini, and Rebeka Dawit abstained. Motion passed.

2. Chair's Report (Dominic Carollo)

Nothing new to report.

3. Bar Liaison Report (Stacy Owen)

Stacy Owen reported. On September 30, OSB sent an email that it is going to upgrade the ENR Section listserv. Going forward, any posting to the ENR Section is going to come from Section itself and will identify the sender in the body of the email. The upgrade was completed on October 3, so we can start posting on the listserv directly without requesting OSB to post on our behalf.

¹ A quorum of the ENR EC requires the attendance of at least 9 of the 17 members.

Stacy Owen will follow up for the member assessment fee increase.

4. Treasurer's Report (Hannah Goldblatt)

Link to Financials: <https://www.osbar.org/sections/financials.html>

Hannah Goldblatt reported. For the September financials, the section's operating revenue is \$17,505, with \$2,700 income coming from CLE registration, and the total net assets is \$19,320.

Hannah met with Sara and Olivier to discuss the 2025 budget. We decided despite the increase in members assessment fees, we will not increase membership dues. We are operating at a slight deficient, but we have a healthy reserve and will likely increase revenue from new members in 2025.

We will vote on the proposed 2025 budget during the November meeting.

5. Publications

a. ENR Deskbook (Dominic Carollo, Sara Ghafouri, Sage Ertman, and Lynne Dzubow)

Dominic Carollo reported that there isn't an update. Sage Ertman has been in contact with Michael Campbell from Stoeil Rives, who has agreed to work on the water quality section.

b. Case Notes (Hannah Goldblatt and Jessica Bernardini)

Hannah Goldblatt reported. The subcommittee has collected cases for Q3 and will send an email to out to volunteers next week.

c. E-Outlooks (Chris Thomas, Jessica Bernardini, and David Hori)

Chris Thomas reported. The subcommittee has collected articles with an E-outlook that will be published by the end of the month and the fourth issue will be published by the end of the year.

6. Education/CLE

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

Olivier and Sage reported. Olivier has coordinated DEQ, ODFW, and OWRD to speak at lunchtime CLE scheduled for November 18 that will provide an update on agencies' respective priorities.

b. Field Trips (Maureen Bayer and Lynne Dzubow)

Maureen Bayer reported. The fieldtrip will be a repeat of the Eagle Creek hike from 2019. The fieldtrip is scheduled for Saturday, November 2. Need to arrange a shuttle that can take 22 people to prevent parking congestion. The itinerary is to meet at Troutdale at 10/10:15 am and the hike would start at 11 am, with 1.5 CLE credit for this field trip.

Expenditure would be \$100 for food and about \$900 for the shuttle. There was discussion by EC regarding offsetting the cost through revenue from registration but still make it free for law students.

Sara Ghafouri moved to approve \$1,100 for field trips, and Dominic Carollo seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

c. Annual CLE (Laura Kerr, Mike Eliason, Sara Ghafouri, Hannah Goldblatt, Maureen Bayer, Cassie Roberts, Marika Sitz, Olivier Jamin and Jessica Bernardini)

Laura Kerr reported. Currently, there are 80 registrations for attendance in person and 20 online registrations, including University of Oregon law school live stream. However, we are dealing with challenges with the IT company for our virtual panel. Hannah Goldblatt was able to fill vacancies on the salmon panel.

Field Code Changed

7. Committees

a. Pro Bono (Olivier Jamin and Cassie Roberts)

Ryan Shannon raised a potential pro bono opportunity. On October 1, 2024, the North Carolina Supreme Court approved a temporary rule amendment allowing lawyers not licensed in North Carolina to begin providing pro bono legal services through a legal services organization to indigent victims of Tropical Storm Helene. Helping folks navigate FEMA might be in our members' wheelhouse:

<https://www.ncbar.gov/news-publications/news-notice/2024/09/statewide-disaster-relief-legal-resources-tropical-storm-helene/>

Olivier Jamin agreed to post this pro bono opportunity on our listserv.

b. Diversity (Sage Ertman, Sara Ghafouri, Rebeka Dawit, and Laura Kerr)

Sage Ertman reported. We held our career diversity panel on September 26, and our speakers did a great job (Rebeka moderated and David Hori was one of the panelists). However, attendance was low, with 14 registered but only 5 attended. We had 27 attendees last year. We need better contacts with the law schools and will need to rely on OSB next year for assistance.

Sara Ghafouri reported that the stipend recipient will be announced at the CLE.

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

Sara Ghafouri reported. We received four statements of interest for our four vacancies on the executive committee. However, we will extend the deadline to next Monday and make an announcement at the Annual CLE.

d. Annual Award/Meeting (Lindsay Thane, Chris Thomas, and non-EC member)

Lindsay Thane reported. We will close the nominations on November 1st. Asking the EC to do personal outreach before November 1. Jay Waldron (last year's award winner) is going to serve as the non-EC member and the subcommittee will have a recommendation at the November meeting.

Stoel Rives has offered to host the Annual Meeting at their space either January 14 or 15.

Chris reported that selection criteria states that the nominee "has demonstrated leadership and service in the practice of environmental and natural resources law in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest Region through one or more of the following" ways. Maybe the EC needs to revisit this language and remove the reference to the Pacific Northwest Region.

e. Legislation (Mike Eliason)

Nothing new to report.

8. Technology (Hannah Goldblatt and Maureen Bayer)

Nothing new to report.

9. Other/New Business (Dominic Carollo)

Meeting adjourned at 1:01 pm.

Oregon State Bar Statement of Activities - Actual vs Budget

	Month Ending October 31, 2024 <small>Actual</small>	Year To Date October 31, 2024 <small>Actual</small>	Year Ending December 31, 2024 <small>Budget</small>	December 31, 2024 <small>% of Budget</small>	Month Ending October 31, 2023 <small>Current Month-PY</small>	Year To Date October 31, 2023 <small>Prior Year</small>
Operating Revenue						
Registrations	3,790	8,245	5,500	149.9 %	3,370	6,465
Membership Fees	0	13,050	12,375	105.5 %	50	12,250
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 3,790	\$ 21,295	\$ 17,875	119.1 %	\$ 3,420	\$ 18,715
Expenditures						
Annual Event	0	1,465	3,000	48.8 %	0	3,510
Conferences / Seminars	9,550	12,450	6,500	191.5 %	6,432	6,882
Education	938	3,851	5,000	77.0 %	0	0
Gifts & Awards	0	500	500	100.0 %	0	0
Luncheon CLE_Meetings	0	40	0	0.0 %	0	42
OSB Support Service Assessment	180	5,710	5,367	106.4 %	142	5,472
MCLE Sponsorship Applications Fee	40	65	300	21.7 %	75	180
Credit Card Fee	124	276	0	0.0 %	102	211
Telephone - Conference Calls	20	200	240	83.3 %	20	200
Miscellaneous Expense	0	0	500	0.0 %	0	0
Total Expenditures	\$ 10,852	\$ 24,557	\$ 21,407	114.7 %	\$ 6,771	\$ 16,497
Change In Net Assets	\$ (7,062)	\$ (3,262)	\$ (3,532)	92.4 %	\$ (3,351)	\$ 2,218
+ Net Assets - Beginning	\$ 19,320	\$ 15,521	\$ 0	0.0 %	\$ 22,323	\$ 16,755
Net Assets - Ending	\$ 12,258	\$ 12,258	\$ (3,532)	(347.1) %	\$ 18,973	\$ 18,973
Paid Headcount	522	522	0	0.0 %	490	490
Comp Headcount	79	79	0	0.0 %	86	86
Section Member Count	601	601	0	0.0 %	576	576

**Oregon State Bar
Section Detail Report
For Current Month (10/01/2024 to 10/31/2024)**

Posted dt.	Doc dt.	Doc	Memo/Description	Department	Project	Project name	Location	JNL	Debit	Credit	Balance
4565 - Registrations (Balance forward As of 10/01/2024)											0.00
10/07/2024	10/07/2024		1724 Aptify Orders Batch - 20241007		813	100000	No Project	100	APTJ	830.00	(830.00)
10/14/2024	10/14/2024		1726 Aptify Orders Batch - 20241014		813	100000	No Project	100	APTJ	870.00	(1,700.00)
10/21/2024	10/21/2024		1729 Aptify Orders Batch - 20241021		813	100000	No Project	100	APTJ	1,960.00	(3,660.00)
10/31/2024	10/31/2024		1731 Aptify Orders Batch - 20241031		813	100000	No Project	100	APTJ	130.00	(3,790.00)
Totals for 4565 - Registrations									0.00	3,790.00	(3,790.00)
Net change for - Registrations											(3,790.00)
7245 - Conferences / Seminars (Balance forward As of 10/01/2024)											0.00
10/22/2024	10/22/2024		Oct24 SvcsBill - Discovery Media Productions: ENR confer-Oct24 Svcs ENR conference		813	100000	No Project	100	APJ	2,531.50	2,531.50
10/23/2024	10/23/2024		Oct24 Event,Bill - McMenamins - Edgefield: Oct24 ENR AnnualEvent, ENR Annual CLE		813	100000	No Project	100	APJ	5,728.97	8,260.47
10/31/2024	10/31/2024		Section Regis-September & October Section Registra- trations tions		813	100000	No Project	100	GJ	1,290.00	9,550.47
Totals for 7245 - Conferences / Seminars									9,550.47	0.00	9,550.47
Net change for - Conferences / Seminars											9,550.47
7320 - Education (Balance forward As of 10/01/2024)											0.00
10/16/2024	10/16/2024		Nov24 ENRBill - Bayer, Maureen: Nov24 ENR CLE/ CLE/Hike Hike		813	100000	No Project	100	APJ	937.50	937.50
Totals for 7320 - Education									937.50	0.00	937.50
Net change for - Education											937.50
7745 - OSB Support Service Assessment (Balance forward As of 10/01/2024)											0.00
10/31/2024	10/31/2024		Sec Admn Fee Sec Admn Fee		813	100000	No Project	100	GJ	180.50	180.50
Totals for 7745 - OSB Support Service Assessment									180.50	0.00	180.50
Net change for - OSB Support Service Assessment											180.50
7746 - MCLE Sponsorship Applications Fee (Balance forward As of 10/01/2024)											0.00
10/31/2024	10/31/2024		MCLE FundsOctober 2024 MCLE Funds Tx Tx		813	100000	No Project	100	GJ	40.00	40.00
Totals for 7746 - MCLE Sponsorship Applications Fee									40.00	0.00	40.00
Net change for - MCLE Sponsorship Applications Fee											40.00
7747 - Credit Card Fee (Balance forward As of 10/01/2024)											0.00
10/31/2024	10/31/2024		Oct24 BP CCBill - BluePay - DD: Oct24 BP CC Trans Trans Fee Fee		813	100000	No Project	100	APJ	123.52	123.52
Totals for 7747 - Credit Card Fee									123.52	0.00	123.52
Net change for - Credit Card Fee											123.52
7885 - Telephone - Conference Calls (Balance forward As of 10/01/2024)											0.00
10/31/2024	10/31/2024		Zoom SvcsZoom Svcs Oct24 Oct24		813	100000	No Project	100	GJ	20.00	20.00
Totals for 7885 - Telephone - Conference Calls									20.00	0.00	20.00
Net change for - Telephone - Conference Calls											20.00
Grand total									10,851.99	3,790.00	7,061.99