

MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee – Construction Law Section
FROM: Curtis A. Welch – Secretary
DATE: July 8, 2019
RE: July 8, 2019 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

1. **Attendance:**

| Name | Position | In Attendance |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Johnson, Tara | Advisory Member | Yes |
| Gallagher, Doug | Past Co-Chair | Yes, on phone |
| Ped, Tom | Past Co-Chair | No |
| Duyck, Dan | Past Chair | Yes |
| Storti, Tyler | Chair | No |
| Fig, William | Chair Elect | Yes, on phone |
| Hunt, Ryan | Member | No |
| Fraser, Sandra | Member | Yes |
| Martinson, Stacey | Member | Yes |
| Monahan, Justin | Member | Yes |
| Gibson, Andrew | Member | Yes |
| Peterkin, Michael | Member | No |
| Zahniser, Jacob | Member | Yes |
| Vermilyea, Jeremy | Member | No |
| Welch, Curtis | Secretary | Yes |
| Christensen, D. Gary | Advisory Member | No |
| Loiselle, Darien | Advisory Member | Yes |
| Schrader, Charles | Advisory Member | Yes |
| Viteznik, Peter | Advisory Member | No |
| Lutkavage-Dvorscak, Jakob | Treasurer | Yes |
| Alexander, Jason | Advisory Member | No |
| Wade, David | BOG Contact | No |
| Renner, Yasha | Bar Liaison | Yes, on phone |
| Washington, Molly | Member | No |
| Johnson, Katie-Jo | Advisory Member | No |
| Norman, Steven | Member | Yes |
| White III, Van | Member | No |
| Emily Miller | Member | No |
| Jim Chaney | Member | No |
| Alix Town | Guest | Yes |

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| Elizabeth Kuhn | Guest | Yes |
| Jack Levy | Guest | Yes |

Location: Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt, Portland, OR

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes: The May 13, 2019 Minutes were approved.

3. Financial Report From Treasurer:

Treasurer Jakob Lutkavage-Dvorsak reported on the current financials, noting that as of the time of today's meeting, the Bar had not yet provided the June 2019 financials for the Section. He reported that the Section currently has 334 paid members and stated that the Section is on budget.

4. Legislation: Jakob Lutkavage-Dvorscak provided a legislative update to the committee. Jakob has written an article for the Summer 2019 edition of the Construction Law Section newsletter discussing many of the bills that passed that affect the construction industry. (<https://www.osbarconstruction.com/news2019-08.pdf>)

5. CLE Status Report/Scheduling: Tara Johnson, Sandra Fraser and Bill Fig reported on planning for the annual CLE. The CLE will be held on October 4, 2019 at the Oregon State Bar Center. It will be a full-day CLE, for 6.5 credits, and will include presentations on ethics, contract drafting considerations, construction insurance, case law and legislative updates, liens and collection tools, employment issues in construction, and an Oregon Construction Contractors Board update. The CLE will include a light continental breakfast, plus lunch and refreshments for the afternoon break.

6. Nominating Committee: Sandra Fraser, Dan Duyck, and Darien Loiselle will serve on the nominating committee for the purpose of nominating officers and members for the Section's executive committee for next year.

7. Newsletter/Website: Justin Monahan reported regarding the Section's newsletter and website, stating that both are coming along fine.

8. Proposed Brown Bag Series: Elizabeth Kuhn and Jack Levy gave a presentation on a proposed Brown Bag lunch series on construction law topics, with presentations by panels of presenters. The committee decided that it should check with the Bar regarding the mechanics of the proposed co-sponsorship of the Brown Bag Lunch series and then would vote on how to proceed.

9. Lewis & Clark Law School event. Curtis Welch reported in relation to Lewis & Clark Law School's contact to the Executive Committee about the law school's event on September 5, 2019 held at the law school. The event is designed to put law students in contact with members of sections of the Oregon Bar in order to learn about the sections, and how they can get involved with the sections as students or as new lawyers.

10. Construction Law Section Dues. There was discussion regarding the Construction Law Section's dues, and that our Section's rate of \$15 per member is one of the lowest of all the Bar sections. There was discussion that our Section donates much of any excess money at years' end to charitable causes such as the St. Andrew's Legal Clinic, Campaign for Equal Justice and the Classroom Law Project.

The committee was in favor of a dues increase to \$20 per member. Per Yasha Renner, the Bar's liaison to the Committee, dues increases for sections must be voted on by the members at the annual meeting and approved by the Board of Governors, and accordingly this issue will be determined by that later process.

11. New Business: No new business other than the above was discussed and the meeting was adjourned.

12. Upcoming Meeting: **October 4, 2019** for the Section's annual meeting at the Oregon State Bar office, to be held in conjunction with the Section's annual CLE.