

MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee – Construction Law Section
FROM: Stacey Martinson and Jacob Zahniser, Co-Secretaries
DATE: March 14, 2022
RE: March 14, 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Executive Meeting

Attendance:

Name	Position	In Attendance
Lutkavage-Dvorscak, Jakob	Chairperson	Y
Monahan, Justin	Chair-Elect	Y
White, Van M	Treasurer	Y
Martinson, Stacey A	Secretary	Y
Zahniser, Jacob A	Secretary	Y
Johnson, Katie Jo	Member	Y
Town, Alix K	Member	Y
Baldwin-Sayre, Nick	Member	Y
O'Halloran, Bob L	Member	Y
Hunt, Ryan	BOG Contact	N
Bennett, Angela W	Bar Liaison	Y
Miller, Emily Sarah	Member	N
Chaney, James A	Member	N
MacKendrick, Andrew	Member	Y
Nicholas, Mario R	Member	Y
Hager, Laurie R	Member	Y
Naito, Alexander Max	Member	N
Holmberg, Stephanie Corey	Member	Y
Fig, William G	Advisory Member	N
Welch, Curtis A	Advisory Member	N
Kuchulis, Vanessa Triplett	Advisory Member	Y
Karpinski, Seth Throop	Advisory Member	N
Duyck, Dan	Emeritus	Y
Norman, Steve	Emeritus	Y
Tara Johnson		Y
Jeremy Vermilyea	Emeritus	Y

Location: Virtual by Zoom
Called or order at 12:02

1. Introductions. Roll taken
2. Secretary (Stacy Martinson or Jacob Zahniser) - Approval of Jan. 11, 2022, Meeting Minutes: No changes. Jacob Z. Moved. Stacey Seconded. Passed. Alix Towns abstained.
3. Financial Report from Treasurer – Van White: Mr. White reported \$15,200 in account. 2022 blanket waiver from OSB due to Covid. Currently: 311 paid members and 15 comp members for total 326 members. In 2021, there were 340 total. In 2020, there were 321 total members. In 2019, 283 total members.
4. Thanks from Legal Aid Services for donation. Chair circulated thank you note. Only thank you letter received by current Chair.
5. Newsletter and Website update (Justin Monahan; Alex Naito):

Justin reports website is up to date and current with bar.

Newsletter dates: there will be three: Spring, Summer and late Fall. Justin to circulate sign-up sheet.

Spring: Articles due April 29th and publish on May 6th

Summer: if interest, a summer “special” publication around a topic such as legislative update.

Fall: After CLE. Articles due on Nov. 4th and published Nov. 11.

Newsletter cross-pollinate with other author publications are acceptable.

Jakob reminded everyone that publishing in newsletter is expected by members of executive committee

6. 2022 CLE Report (Justin Monahan, Katie Jo Johnson, Stacey Martinson, Laurie Hager). Justin reports following recommendations:

Desire for in person CLE with web-based component.

Date: Oct. 28th

Location: OSB bar center.

Broadcast /webcast component:

Stacey reported on communication with Bar on CLE. Bar is booking for in-person CLEs. Cannot “Technically” book until April 1. No

cancellation fee. Calendar appeared open. Bar can co-sponsor or we do it on our own.

Co-sponsor: Bar sets fee and does all administration of CLE, including in-person, broadcast, and recording with offer on demand.

If no sponsor: Bar does invitations, but does not do broadcast/recording.

Trend is in-person with zoom/webcast component.

Committee thinks Co-Sponsor is best option.

Theme: Other people involved in construction projects: insurance, lenders, tribal, receiverships, A&E

7. Legislative Update (Bob O'halloran): Legislative session wrapped up. Big topics, not re: construction. Bills worth mentioning:

HB 4057: Efficiency authority for Dept. of Energy for new construction and sprinkler system. Sprinkler units must comply by 2023.

HB 4059: Involves solar construction and prevailing wage on large solar construction, effective immediately.

HB 4063 : study taskforce to change/streamline development of affordable housing. EcoNW studied affordable housing. Look for ways to streamline permitting of affordable housing developments.

HB 4064: Mfg. dwelling units, inside UGB other than mobile home parks.

HB 4089: taskforce to study White Salmon bridge.

SB 1518: bill to study how best to include carbon goals in code and CCB licensing requirements.

HB 1524: Tax omnibus measure, includes changes to CAT: modified income qualifications for new construction in rural communities and rule where CAT applies.

Jeremy: update on HB 2415 (2019) interest on retention. Work group: Jeremy, Gary Christianson, Darien Loiselle, Doug Gallagher, among other stakeholders. Target is to create GC retainage bond obligation, modeled on Washington statute.

8. CCB Update (if any) (Van White): CCB has new enforcement mgr.: Dina Swanson, replacing Stan Jessup.

9. Summer social event (Emeritus Committee Chair, Jeremy Vermilyea): Big question is whether Bar will allow/sponsor event. Word from Bar is by time summer comes around in-person events will likely be allowed with a COVID waiver. Looking at outdoor event venues. Aiming for July 19-21 or 26-28, 2022 as preferred date.

Angela Bennett: issue of in-person event is up in air. BOB meets to consider. Survey being sent to all EC members. Bar thinks in-person events in Summer subject to waiver/assumption of risk forms. All vendor/space contracts must be run through Bar's general counsel. Still moving target.

10. Next meeting dates (virtual until further notice)

- a. May 9, July 11, and October 10

Jakob: In person or remote? Social aspect of in-person is missed for last few years. Potential for hybrid of video and in-person.

Potential in-person at Otak space for next meeting, pending Bar approval; everyone's comfort level with in person; and Justin confirming space availability.

11. New Business: None

Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.