

OREGON STATE BAR BUSINESS LAW SECTION  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

June 17, 2011

4:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Oregon State Bar Business Law Section (the "Section") was held at 4:00 pm on Friday, June 17, 2011 at the offices of Lane Powell PC, 601 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue., Suite 2100, Portland, Oregon 97204 pursuant to notice duly given. A quorum was present. The following members of the Executive Committee attended the meeting either in person or by telephone:

Michelle Druce	Kevin Thomas	Ken Haglund
Ben Lenhart	Lorie Harris Hancock	Greg Mallory
Other Attendees:	Carole Barkley	Paul Neese

Kevin Thomas called the meeting to order and served as chair, Lorie Harris Hancock kept the minutes.

1. Approval of April Minutes: The April 15, 2011 minutes of the Executive Committee were approved, upon a duly made and seconded motion. No meeting was held in May.
2. Bar Liaison Report: Paul Neese reported on a number of matters. The bar is accepting nominations for several awards; nomination criteria, forms and other information can be found at [www.osbar.org](http://www.osbar.org). Deadline for nominations is 5:00 pm July 15<sup>th</sup>. Award recipients will be recognized at the Awards Luncheon on November 9, 2011. Paul reminded the section that if the section intends to propose a dues increase, the section's annual meeting must occur by October 15<sup>th</sup>, otherwise the meeting must be held by November 15<sup>th</sup>. Paul also commented that he received an email from Michelle Peterson at OSB who reported that the section has \$112,800 as of the May financial statement, and if the funds are not used the section could be asked by the bar to reduce dues rate. Paul also reported on the New Lawyers Division project matching up under employed lawyers who are looking for experience in a practice area.
3. Treasurer Report/Budget: Sara Gray was not in attendance.
4. Legislative Committee Chris Hall was not in attendance.
5. The Oregon Business Lawyer/Lewis & Clark Update: Michelle Druce reported that Lewis & Clark Law School students have a student committed to prepare a case law update for each of the months of June, July and August. They are also working on a legislative update.
6. Subcommittee Updates:
  - a. CLE: Justin Denton was not in attendance, but Ben Lenhart will connect with Justin and report at the next meeting.
  - b. Website: Carole Barkley reported that she sent sections of the website for review to Kyle Wuepper and Kenny Haglund. Kenny reported on his observations regarding the website. Two key comments were that the annual report is missing and there is no legislative update. He commented that he reviewed other states websites and that it was common to restrict access to certain sections of the site. He suggested that to increase traffic to the site we could hold a student writing competition or add job postings. Kenny has a meeting scheduled with the chair of Washington business section to discuss unique ideas they may have that could be added to our website. Carole suggested that the links on the website be reviewed. Kenny shared that Andy Morrow does legislative updates, and suggested we ask Andy if it would be possible to post his updates until we have the student's legislative updates. Carole suggested that since the member forum is not getting used, maybe it could be used as a job listing. The grouped discussed posting

articles written by law firms in a knowledge center on the section websites. Kevin suggested researching offering one or more online CLE free to members during a year. The suggestion was discussed and it was agreed that at the next meeting Carole will report on the mechanics of such an offering and Kenny will work with Carole and draft a proposal to discuss at next meeting.

c. Business Outreach: Justin Denton and Sara Gray were not present.

d. Social Committee: Lorie Harris Hancock, Kenny Haglund and Matt Newell constitute this committee. Kenny and Lorie were in attendance. They shared ideas for gatherings of the Business Law Section including an event at the zoo in September and a gathering in Central Oregon in the fall. The zoo has an area for up to 250 people. This would be a family event with catered food and free zoo passes, at a minimum cost of \$2500. The proposed time was from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on September 17<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>. The group generally liked the idea. Ben suggested that Kenny check on whether an evening time is available in summer. If not, then it was agreed to schedule a Saturday in September. Lorie shared that she and Kyle Wuepper would be meeting next week to start planning an event in Central Oregon in September/October. It was suggested that the event be coordinated with a Portland CLE that could be videoconferenced to Bend with a reception following for attendees.

7. Corporation Division: Peter Threlkel was not in attendance

8. Adjourn There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lorie Harris Hancock, Secretary