

Oregon State Bar
Business Law Section Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 15, 2016

Meeting Location: Sussman Shank LLP (located at 1000 SW Broadway, Suite 1400, Portland, Oregon 97205)

Present in the Room:

Justin Denton, David Post, Tyler Volm, Jeffrey Tarr, Kenny Haglund, Ben Lenhart, Doug Lindgren and David Ludwig. Jeffrey Tarr acted as the temporary Secretary for this meeting, taking the minutes.

Present by Phone:

Kyle Wuepper, Genny Kylie and Michelle Lane (OSB Liaison)

A quorum was present. Kenny called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

1. Bar Liaison Report (Michelle Lane)
 - A. Michelle noted that the OSB Section Summit was just held on June 8th. Kenny noted that he attended the Summit and described matters that were addressed at the Summit (see discussion below for more detail).
 - B. Michelle then noted that nominations for the OSB Awards are due by June 30th.
 - C. Michelle then noted that if the Section intends to raise its annual dues for 2017, the Executive Committee needs to meet and approve a dues increase by no later than October 15, 2016.

2. Treasurer's Report (David Ludwig)

David reported that the Section incurred \$597 of expenses and received \$150 of revenue (from new Section members) since the last Treasurer's Report.

3. ABA Business Bar Leader Conference (May 19-20) Report (Kenny Haglund)

Kenny attended the Conference in Chicago, Illinois. He said about 50 people (i.e., mostly state bar Section leaders) were in attendance. Topics presented included the following: recruitment and outreach (including challenges in bringing in new Section members); content that can be provided to Section members (Kenny advised that the ABA Section has content available for use in our Section newsletter); leadership development; and innovative projects. Kenny said that he was provided with materials

that he will review and report back on to the EC if he finds information relevant and worthy of presenting to the EC.

4. Summit for Section Leaders (June 8) Report (Kenny Haglund)

Kenny attended and reported on the OSB Section Summit that was just held on June 8th. He reported that the OSB's CLE Department is and has been operating in the red for some time, and that the Board of Governors has decided to make changes to try to get the CLE Department's operations back in the black. Some of the changes include (i) a mandatory requirement that all OSB sponsored CLE's now must use the Bar for CLE registration, and (ii) any Section CLE's longer than 4 hours must be co-sponsored by the Bar's CLE Department. These changes go into effect in January of 2017. Kenny also reported that the Bar is now requiring that all Sections must transition their websites to the Bar's platform. The Business Section's website is already using the Bar's platform.

5. Subcommittee Reports and Discussion

A. CLE Subcommittee (Justin Denton)

Wednesday, June 22nd is the Business Section's CLE on insurance provisions in commercial agreements. It is being held at the Hotel Lucia from 7:30am to 9:30am. So far there are 27 registrants. The facility will hold 50 people. The cost is about the same as last year's CLE. The presentation will be 1 ½ hours, and will be a panel presentation with three speakers. Breakfast is included.

The Subcommittee is meeting next week to start planning the all-day Business Section CLE seminar. The Subcommittee is trying to set up the CLE to take place at the MAC on November 3rd.

B. Outreach Subcommittee (David Ludwig)

David said the Subcommittee has drafted a mission statement, and David will circulate it for EC review. Kenny asked if the mission statement created any focus on outreach outside of the Portland legal community, and suggested it should. David said that part of the focus of the outreach includes holding CLEs outside of Portland. A discussion then took place about taking CLEs on a "road show" (i.e., having the same CLEs re-presented by the same speakers on the same topics at different locations around Oregon).

C. Communications Subcommittee (Valerie Sasaki)

Valerie was unable to make the meeting so Jeffrey Tarr discussed the status of the Newsletter Committee and getting the re-launch of the Business Section's Newsletter underway. Jeff reported on the status of the first Newsletter planned for this year.

D. New Business Lawyers Subcommittee (Tyler Volm)

Tyler discussed the status of pairing up mentors with new business attorney mentees. He also discussed the desire of getting more new business attorneys involved in the Business Section's Newsletter. He also suggested that the EC consider a future CLE geared for new business attorneys.

E. Legislative Subcommittee (Chris Hall)

Chris was unable to make the meeting so Kenny filled in. He said the Subcommittee was still working on proposals to address feedback from the Bar.

6. Other Business

A. James B. Castles Leadership Award

Ben stated that he wanted to get an early start (earlier than last year) on the nomination process for the James B. Castles Leadership Award. It was decided that the Subcommittee for the Award will be established at the next EC meeting.

B. Public or Private Approach to Newsletters

An issue was raised as to whether the Business Section's Newsletters should be made available to the public in general immediately, or whether they should only be made available to Business Section members for a period of time (e.g., one year) before they are made available to the public in general. A discussion took place on this topic, but no decision was made.

There being no further business, Kenny adjourned the meeting at 12:56 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Noon on July 20th at Samuels Yoelin Kantor LLP (111 SW 5th Avenue, Suite 3800, Portland, OR 97204)