

OREGON STATE BAR
BUSINESS LAW SECTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

June 26, 2024

TIME AND PLACE

Upon notice duly given, a meeting of the Executive Committee (the “**Committee**”) of the Business Law Section (the “**Section**”) of the Oregon State Bar (the “**Bar**”) was held at Otak, Inc., Portland, Oregon, on June 26, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific time.

PRESENT

Present were Committee members Michael Walker (Chair), Matt Larson, Tim Crippen, Leigh Gill, Krista Evans, Joe Cerne, Melissa Jaffe, Melanie Choch, Justin Monahan, and Jennifer Nicholls. Mike Williams from the Bar and Jackie Krantz were also present.

Will Goodling, Berit Everhart, Ben Pirie, Kimberly Boswell and were not present at the meeting.

Mr. Larson acted as Secretary and kept the minutes.

MEETING

Mr. Walker called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

1. Approval of Prior Minutes

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the Committee’s meeting held on June 5, 2024. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Committee’s June 5, 2024, meeting are approved.

2. Treasurers’ Report

Ms. Evans provided the report. Ms. Evans reviewed the May financial report. Ms. Evans noted that the non-recurring items included lunch with the stipend recipient and the balance for the May social gathering. Ms. Evans noted that the number of Section members increased by nine members.

3. Bar Liaison Report

Mr. Williams reported regarding activities at the Bar. Mr. Williams noted that the Bar is winding up the budgeting process, and that the Bar will likely increase section assessments in 2025.

4. Subcommittee Reports

A. CLE Subcommittee. Ms. Jaffee provided the report. A discussion was held regarding the annual CLE. Ms. Jaffe also reported that the speaker list is being finalized, and the focus is on providing diverse voices from our legal community, including junior attorneys paired with more senior speakers. Ms. Jaffee noted that there will likely be two tracks at the annual meeting, one for newer attorneys and one for more experienced attorneys. Sponsorships are still needed for alcohol and tables. For quarterly CLEs, July will be CFIUS, and September will be accounting for lawyers or bankruptcy.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, the CLE Subcommittee may provide speakers with \$25 gift cards.

B. Newsletter Subcommittee. Mr. Crippen provided the report. Mr. Crippen reported that the Q2 newsletter will be published in the next couple of weeks, and that a full slate of articles is set for the Q3 edition. Mr. Crippen noted that the Q3 edition will likely debut the new newsletter format. The subcommittee is still looking for authors.

C. New Business Lawyers Subcommittee. Mr. Cerne and Ms. Choch provided the report. The subcommittee had a Q2 social event at Steeplejack, which went well. The Committee is looking into a Q3 event, and is beginning to plan fall panel events at the Oregon law schools.

D. Legislative Subcommittee. Mr. Gill provided the report. No new legislative activity to report. The subcommittee is tracking the OLC committee working on updating the Oregon Business Corporation Act.

E. Outreach Subcommittee. Ms. Evans provided the report. The subcommittee is tentatively planning an event at Tryon Creek Tavern for the fall and will begin planning the annual retreat.

F. Castles Leadership Award Subcommittee. Mr. Walker provided the report. The Q2 newsletter included a request for nominations and the subcommittee will be active later in the summer.

G. Nominating and Member Recruitment Subcommittee. Mr. Walker provided the report. The subcommittee will be providing an announcement and email blast soon, and will start the process later this year.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business of the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m. Pacific time.