

OREGON STATE BAR
BUSINESS LAW SECTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

November 6, 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 Hathaway Larson, LLP, Portland, Oregon, on November 6, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific time.

PRESENT

Present were Committee members Michael Walker (Chair), Matt Larson, Tim Crippen, Blake Bowman, Krista Evans, Jennifer Nicholls, Kimberly Boswell, Melanie Choch, and Melissa Jaffe. Mike Williams and Kes Joerg from the Bar and Jackie Krantz were also present.

Leigh Gill, Joe Cerne, Will Goodling, Berit Everhart, Ben Pirie, and Justin Monahan 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 October 2, 2024 and October 15, 2024. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Committee’s October 2, 2024 and October 15, 2024, meetings are approved.

2. Bar Liaison Report

Mr. Williams reported regarding activities at the Bar. Mr. Williams noted that the HOD updated certain ethics rules to match the ABA rules, and the CFS assessments will drop in 2025.

Ms. Joerg informed the Committee on OSB’s process and support for section CLEs. Ms. Joerg recommends using the Bar center for future events due to cost. Ms. Joerg reported there are currently 95 registrations for the Section’s annual event, and that the event should break even after the Section’s \$10,000 contribution.

3. Treasurers' Report

Ms. Evans provided the report. Ms. Evans reviewed the September financial report. Ms. Evans reviewed the proposed 2025 budget, and the Committee discussed various line items, including increasing the annual event expense to \$12,000. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the 2025 budget as proposed is approved and adopted.

4. Subcommittee Reports

A. CLE Subcommittee. Ms. Jaffee provided the report. A discussion was held regarding the annual CLE. Sponsorships are still needed for alcohol and tables.

B. Newsletter Subcommittee. Mr. Crippen and Ms. Krantz provided the report. Mr. Crippen reported that the previous newsletter was published in digital and PDF formats, and that articles have come in for the next newsletter.

C. New Business Lawyers Subcommittee. No report.

D. Legislative Subcommittee. Mr. Walker provided the report. The Bar has sent information regarding legislative activity for 2025, and the subcommittee is monitoring.

E. Outreach Subcommittee. Ms. Evans provided the report. The subcommittee is planning the annual retreat and will send information and RSVP requests next week.

F. Castles Leadership Award Subcommittee. Mr. Walker provided the report. The physical award was delivered. At the annual meeting, Mr. Walker will discuss the Castles award and Don Kramer will introduce the recipient.

G. Nominating and Member Recruitment Subcommittee. Mr. Walker provided the report. The subcommittee tried to find new members in Central Oregon and was unsuccessful, but did find a proposed member from Eugene. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the proposed slate of nominees for Committee members and officers to recommend to the Section is approved.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business of the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:01 p.m. Pacific time.