

OSB Sustainable Future Section Executive Committee
Meeting minutes
June 2, 2016 at Tonkon Torp LLP 712-432-0375; passcode 1075762#

Present: Ann McQuesten, Courtney Johnson, Max Miller, Alex Tkacz , Diane Henkels, Rod Wagoner, Michelle Slater

Excused: Robin Seifried, June Wyrick Flores
Jen Gates???

May Meeting Minutes approved

Committee Reports:

Awards/Partners Committee (Diane): Calling around to Partners now to see who is renewing (only have 3); call w/OPDS in June for government entity Partner; beginning steps of a Fall challenge

Transportation challenge: will see how many participate in June's baseline recording; organize an education session before the September side of the challenge; reminder to check out drivelessavemore;

Editorial Committee (Ann): New newsletter out, Max forwarded to Mayor's office, Ann forwarded to John Dernbach and Ira Feldman—they are on the list now; articles coming up for next issue include a piece on the Paul Hawken talk,

Programs Committee (Maggie): Coming up Legal observer training (15 rsvp's recv'd) + Summer social at Tonkon Torp for law students, requesting attendance of EC members; Tree planting was great but poorly attended (only 3 persons and those from EC); Kailash ecovillage in Fall, but we need the numbers

Other Business:

Climate Change Task Force Report: Michelle presents the almost final draft (final basically just needs certain citations).

Findings and Recommendations: policy statement recommending carbon pricing to mitigate climate change and group to assist, constitutional amendment re climate change, office practices to reduce carbon footprint individually including greenhouse gas certification education program (such as blending in NWEI), Oregon constitutional amendment re holding natural resources in trust for future generations, align OSB w/ESG (Environmental Social Governance) standards regarding investment; also minor recommendations re adding as ethical requirement to Rules of Professional Conduct, and also adding access to justice as environmental justice component. Checking in w/Mary Wood re constitutional provision and also Alex Wall who had reviewed environmental constitutional—and found gaps; discuss value of having the language ready.

Task Force next steps:

—Continue engaging w/the OSB and investment policy, which issue went into hibernation. We need the finance committee and public affairs committee, policy and governance—send it to Helen Hershbiel to put on the agenda. Get the final report from the BOG Committee.

—Result of EC decision regarding the Report: SFS EC providing a cover letter; discuss how to send on the Report and how to present it at the NY conference.

Report on SAGE/Paul Hawken Event: summary of Project Drawdown, attendance of other SFS members, write up newsletter article on impressions

New York State Bar Association Environmental Law Section's Global Climate Change Committee Conference (Michelle and Diane): M&D to meet; task force was discussed set up, produced report, and this provides a roadmap

Other: OSB nomination for President's Sustainable Lawyer award deadline is June 30, 2016
Discuss upcoming OSB meeting re CLE structure changing.

Next Meeting is July 7, 2016, 9:00 AM at White Summers w/same call-in