

Sustainable Future Section of the Oregon Bar Minutes

Date: Jan 24, 2018

Time: 12:00 - 1:15pm

Location: Henkels Law, Washington St., PDX

Attendance:

Member	Role	In Attendance
Henkels, Diane	Chairperson	X
Ms. Johnson, Courtney B	Chair-Elect	
Ms. Wyrick Flores, June M	Past Chair	
Ms. Butcher, Sara L	Treasurer	X
Mr. Wall, Alexander James	Secretary	X
Mr. Graine, Michael W	Member	X
Mr. Quirke, J Douglas	Member	
Mr. Sherlock, William	Member	
Dr. Sherman, Kimberly H	Member	X
Ms. Stafford, Kimberlee A	Member	X
Mr. Tkacz, Alexander Gregory	Member	
Mr. Rondeau, Michael J	BOG Contact	
Mr. Soloos, Mark	Bar Liaison	X

Chair's report

Introduction. Noted that the meeting was joined in part by teleconference, using Zoom for the first time.

Quorum

There being 6 of 11 members present, the secretary ascertained that there was a quorum present.

Approval of minutes

Noted Michael Rondeau and former member Max should be added to the December minutes attendance. Add Max (online). Decided to table pending draft minutes until the next meeting. December and January minutes will be approved at the February 7th, 2018 meeting.

Treasurer's end of year report for 2017 (Sara)

Budget report given. Only 7% of budget was spent. Budget last was not spent. Propose, as a result that we keep the budget the same in order to enable participation of people outside the community.

Dec. \$250 Equal Justice donation from the committee acknowledged.
(Provide a link to information donations and provide a few highlights.)

Anne McQuestion offered to write up a letter about donations. If someone makes a request, we want to have a letter that we can explain a denial and express comparison with mission.

Membership count 532 registrations (only planned on 200). In 2016 there were only 100.

Bar Update (Mark):

Staff "Basics of Recycling Update" training changed from March to Feb 20th to take advantage of more staff members availability (will likely be annual). Recycling program. Kristin from Pride will come and give a presentation. What can the Bar do to improve recycling program? 25-30 minute update.

General consensus that 25 minutes might not be sufficient for training new staff (or possibly even updating existing staff).

Several members interested in being on the list of Sara, Diane, Mark interested on the short list of emails about what the trainings about.

Committee discussed piggy-backing on the open forum.

Diane mentioned that a number of bar sections are meeting in Vancouver, BC. Observed that there is nothing in that agenda for sustainability. Equity and diversity is related. Cloud- (a midwest benefit company) is sponsoring. National Association of Bar Executives/Presidents. Series of meetings for about 4 days and there are sponsors.

Committee reports (no June for legislative report)

Legislative Committee

- Do we have any members that are interesting in tracking legislation and ensuring that the bar is letting us know.
- Diane and June (anyone else interested - Alex).

Awards Committee (alex T not present. Kim updating)

- Short update Kim C.

- Alex Liam and Kim agenda is to update partnership criteria and update EcoChallenge marketing to drive more participation this year.
- Diane will also connect on this.

Website Committee

- Blurb, looking forward to 2018 ecochallenge.
- Diane will update editorial portion of the page.
- Leadership award page, needs to be updated.
- Key legal resources
- Partners in sustainability

Climate Change

- Feb 13, second Tuesday of the month.
- Climate Change Statement
 - Endorsed a propose to move it forward to the section.
 - Is this a section statement, or do we want to suggest full bar adoption.
 - Dick Roy asked a similar thing and wants to know how it is compatible with his individual lawyer statement.
 - We will deliberate over a future meeting.
 - Guest from Engineers for Sustainability at the March meeting.
- Center for Earth Leadership comments
 - We are a bar section, but they are doing individual attorneys.
 - Ask that we would include among our significant activities in that statement.
 - Length of statement and reference.

Programs

School Conference/teleconference

- There were 4 people in the room in Eugene
- Doug to send a summary to include in these minutes.

Editorial (Diane)

- Topics of interest?
 - Recycling

Other Business:

The Secretary mentioned the new process of circulating minutes via Google Drive, and capturing all attachments and making them available to Committee members, with a possible secondary folder available for the public to view final minutes.

Committee will review Zoom costs and potentially subscribe, as Zoom video cut off after 40 minutes.

The next Committee meeting will be at the same location on February 7, 2018, at noon until 1:15pm as before.