

**OSB Sustainable Future Section Executive Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, May 1, 2019** 12:05 PM - 1:00 PM PDT  
111 SW 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Portland, Oregon

**Attending in Person:** Courtney Johnson, Chair; Sara Butcher, Chair Elect; Cheyenne Chapman, Secretary;; June Wiyrick Flores; Chris Fryefield, Mike Grainey.

**Attending via Zoom:** Doug Quirke; William (Liam) Sherlock; Kim Sherman, Dani Edwards, OSB Temporary Liaison.

**Not Attending:** Alex Wall.

**12:05**            **Approve Minutes**  
Motion passed to approve minutes of April 2019 as corrected.

**Treasurer's Report**  
Kim Sherman will send the report to committee members.

**12:10**            **Committee reports**

**Awards/Partners - Cheyenne**

Ongoing projects include publicizing the EcoChallenge Drawdown; supporting participation in the OSB Sustainability Award nomination process; preparing for a presentation to a paralegal group (Alex and Diane to present May 2<sup>nd</sup>); and promoting the May bike challenge.

**Communications – Doug**

The committee is working on expanding the section's use of social media, including adding a Green Pro Bono option for legal services, promoting various volunteer opportunities with other organizations after Executive Committee approval per motion passed at March meeting.

The Executive Committee discussed ways to add events and activities to the section web page including posting archives of past events, as well as publicizing upcoming events. All committee chairs are asked to let Doug know of upcoming committee meeting dates so they can be posted as well; some committees meet regularly, others are ad hoc.

Chris has been working with the OSB on how SFS can use Twitter. Dani clarified that OSB needs access to any SFS Twitter account (needed to respond to public record requests, also needed if section membership changes and we need to access account). Dani explained that the OSB has a new focus on social media; OSB now has a FaceBook page and is looking for content. SFS is invited to take advantage of this approach to publicity.

### **Programs – Mike**

The Call to the Bar on April 18<sup>th</sup> was well attended (650) at multiple locations across the country; having legislators and candidates on the agenda was a draw. There are several follow up activities underway: those who accessed the webinar from their own offices will be added to the contact list; slides and possibly videos of the presentations will be posted; and several “mini-retreat” Friday calls are being held to discuss follow up.

The Wildlife Corridors CLE on April 26<sup>th</sup> went well. The next planned CLE on Methane, originally scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup>, has been postponed until after the legislative session.

The next committee event will be the June 11<sup>th</sup> Summer Associates Social at Tonkin Torp.

### **Climate Change**

The committee meets regularly the fourth Wednesday of the month, with the committee meeting at noon and the Legislative Study Group at 1 pm. Sara prepared a summary of the April 24<sup>th</sup> meeting including: Legislation Study Group; Status of Green Pro Bono Button on SFS Website; Call to the Bar National Conference; 2019 CLE on Methane Regulations; Legal Road-Mapping CLE for Solutions in “Project Drawdown”; and Other ideas.

The SFS EC discussed the OSB Investment Policy, and discussed the difference between “divestment” and ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) factors in investment. Dani offered to provide the EC with the current OSB Investment Policy, and to discuss with OSB leadership in preparation for future discussions with SFS EC.

### **Legislative**

The Committee continues to work on SB 361 in this 2019 Legislative Session.

### **OSB Update**

Dani Edwards, our new Temporary Liaison to the OSB, noted that the OSB Board of Governors will be sending out a letter with some organizational changes that will affect bar sections, and offered to discuss with the SFS EC at our June meeting. Changes relate to provision of CLEs; minimum size for sections; and use of carry forward fund balances.

**12:45**

### **New Matters**

EC agreed that Courtney should nominate Melissa Powers for OSB President’s Sustainability Award; the SFS EC will vote on the nomination at our June meeting.

The EC and Dani discussed a recent letter from the OSB to TriMet concerning alignment of a new light rail corridor and how it might impact the OSB facility; its complicated and there will be further discussion.

Next Meeting – June 5; note that Courtney will be absent, June will chair.

**1:00**

### **Adjourn**