

OSB Agricultural Law Section
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
April 5, 2013

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oregon State Bar Association Agricultural Law Section was held via teleconference on April 5, 2013. The meeting convened at 8:36 a.m., Chair Wyatt Rolfe presiding.

1. Roll call. Those in attendance included:

Wyatt E. Rolfe, Chair
Helen Nelson, Chair Elect
Karin E. Dallas, Secretary
Joseph H. Hobson, Member-at-large
Caroline Lobdell, Member-at-large
Brandy Augusta Sargent, Member-at-large
Mary Anne Nash, Member-at-large

Also in attendance:

Bar Liaison Danielle Edwards

QUORUM WAS MET.

2. Review of March 1, 2013 minutes.
 - A. Minutes reviewed –no changes recommended. Joe Hobson moved to approve the minutes. Caroline Lobdell seconded. Motion carried.
3. Treasurer’s Report.
 - A. Treasurer Mike Gelardi is on paternity leave. Dani Edwards reported that, as of the end of January, 2013, we had revenue of \$878.00, expenses of \$8.00 for a conference call and roughly \$700.00 for the OSB Support Assessment, and an ending balance of \$2,395.00. We had 105 paid members, which is on track for our budget estimate of 115 members for the 2013 year. Dani will send the financials to Wyatt, in Mike’s absence.
4. Old Business.
 - A. 2013 CLE Subcommittee Update: Wyatt reported that Steve Shropshire will speak and will also help organize the Columbia River water presentation/panel. The names of the other panelists will likely be fixed by April 8th. With respect to the legislative

update presentation, Katie Fast (Director of Government Affairs, Oregon Farm Bureau) will speak, and Helen Nelson is rounding up additional panelists. Helen mentioned that Tim Bernasek would be a good addition to the panel, and Joe Hobson agreed. Wyatt reported that Mike Gelardi will be speaking about agritourism issues and will be putting a panel together. Topics include winery issues, liability issues, and other issues relevant to a variety of industries. The CLE will likely run from 10:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m., with the legislative update falling at the end of the day. Wyatt mentioned that he'll be heading to the Deschutes River for fly fishing, post-CLE, and other attendees are welcome to join him.

5. New Business.

- A. 2013 Section Membership: Our section offers free membership to first year admittees. Wyatt asked for volunteers to form a subcommittee to address membership issues, and Caroline Lobdell and Mary Anne Nash volunteered. Brandy Sargent moved to create a subcommittee on membership, made up of Wyatt, Caroline and Mary Anne. Joe seconded that motion. The motion carried.
- B. Wyatt will be sending out an email blast to remind section members to save the date for our upcoming CLE. Joe wondered whether there would be a way to send a CLE notice specifically to practitioners in the Columbia Basin area, or to those in rural counties, as opposed to a notice to the entire Bar. Wyatt will discuss this issue with Dani.
- C. We have received a donation request from the Oregon Minority Lawyers Association. OMLA's activities include funding scholarships for minority law students who are studying for and taking the Bar exam. Brandy read aloud from the minutes of our October 2010 meeting and reminded us that our policy on solicitations is that we will not entertain requests for donations unless we have at least 36 months of operating funds in reserve. Wyatt will check on the state of our reserves and will report back at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

Date of the next meeting is Friday, May 3, 2013, at 8:30 a.m.