

OSB Agricultural Law Section
Annual Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2013

The Annual Meeting of the Oregon State Bar Association Agricultural Law Section was held via teleconference on Friday, October 4, 2013. The meeting convened at 8:30 a.m., Chair Elect Helen Nelson presiding.

1. Roll call. Those in attendance included:

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
Section member Jeffrey C. Misley

QUORUM WAS MET. (Dani Edwards reported that all section members in attendance count toward our quorum requirement, for the annual meeting.)

2. Review of September minutes.
 - A. Minutes reviewed – no changes recommended. Mary Anne Nash moved to approve the minutes. Caroline Lobdell seconded. Motion carried.
3. Treasurer’s Report.
 - A. None given.
4. Membership Subcommittee Report
 - A. Mary Anne Nash reported that the subcommittee is developing ideas to enhance our section’s offerings, to give members “more bang for their buck.” Ideas include a lunchtime brown bag CLE, to be held in Portland (most of our membership is concentrated there), perhaps co-hosted with the Environmental and Natural Resources section; a quarterly email blast with summaries and live links to websites featuring topics of interest to section members; and a mixer before the “Denim and Diamonds” event being held Friday, November 22, 2013 in Portland. Mary Anne

will look into the possibility of holding the mixer at Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt, with Schwabe hosting the event. She will also put together an email report, which Dani will circulate to the executive committee members.

4. New Business.

A. Vote on 2014 Slate/Nominations from Floor: The following slate was proposed, for election of officers and executive committee members:

Officers:

Chair: Helen Nelson
Chair Elect: Karin E. Dallas
Past Chair: Wyatt E. Rolfe
Secretary: Mary Anne Nash
Treasurer: Michael J. Gelardi

Members-at-Large (Term Date 12/31/2015):

Joseph H. Hobson, Jr.
Caroline Lobdell
Brandy A. Sargent
Andrew G. Martin

Continuing Member-at-Large (Term Date 12/31/2014):

Brent H. Smith

Helen Nelson introduced Jeffrey C. Misley. Jeff is a partner at Sussman Shank, has a background in debtor/creditor issues and agricultural law, and is interested in joining the executive committee. Helen Nelson nominated Jeff Misley as an executive committee member-at large, to serve a term beginning January 1, 2014 and continuing through December 31, 2015:

Member-at-Large (Term Date 12/31/2015):

Jeffrey C. Misley

Brandy Sargent moved to accept the 2014 slate and the nomination of Jeff Misley as an additional executive committee member-at-large. Mary Anne Nash seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. Vote on Increase in Section Dues: A proposal to increase our section dues from \$15.00 per member to \$17.00 per member for 2014 was previously approved by email vote. Because

dues increases must be voted on at the annual section meeting (today's meeting) by the section membership, Mary Anne Nash moved that we increase our dues to \$17.00 per member. Kari Dallas seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Date of the next meeting of the executive committee is Friday, November 1, 2013, at 8:30 a.m.