

OSB Agricultural Law Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2014

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oregon State Bar Association Agricultural Law Section was held via teleconference on April 4, 2014. The meeting convened at 8:30 a.m., Chair Helen Nelson presiding.

1. Roll call. Those in attendance included:

Helen Nelson, Chair
Wyatt Rolfe, Past Chair
Karin E. Dallas, Chair Elect
Mary Anne Nash, Secretary
Michael J. Gelardi, Treasurer
Joseph H. Hobson, Member-at-large
Jeff Misley, Member-at-large
Caroline Lobdell, Member-at-large
Brandy Augusta Sargent, Member-at-large

Those not in attendance included:

Drew Martin, Member-at-large
Brent Smith, Member-at-large
Heath Curtiss, Advisory Member

Also in attendance:

Bar Liaison Michelle Lane

QUORUM WAS MET. (11 executive committee members, 6 is quorum)

2. Review of March minutes.
 - A. Minutes approved. Joe Hobson moved to approve the minutes, Brandy Sargent seconded. Motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report.
 - A. Treasurer Mike Gelardi reported that he does not have any new information from the bar for his report . The bar is in the process of getting a new comptroller.
4. Membership Subcommittee Report.
 - A. Mary Anne Nash reported that the event the Sustainability Section would like us to co-sponsor with them has been moved to the fall. She will reconnect in late summer and we can discuss further details then.
 - B. Wyatt Rolfe reported that there is no other new information to report.

5. Annual CLE Subcommittee Report

- A. The subcommittee sent a draft notice of the CLE to the Executive Committee for review.
- B. There was debate about the price we should charge to non-section members. Joe Hobson indicated that he thought it was a good idea to charge non-section members a fee that provides an incentive for them to join the section in lieu of paying a one-time CLE fee.
- C. There was discussion about how to notify attorneys in Central and Eastern Oregon about the CLE. Michelle Lane reported that we can send the notice to other sections, but cannot target certain geographical locations. That could likely be done through the local bar associations. Kari Dallas will send the notice to her local bar association, and others can send to individuals that may be interested as they would like.
- D. Joe Hobson moved:
 - i. To send the CLE notice to the Real Estate, Debtor/Creditor, Environmental and Natural Resources and Agriculture Law Sections;
 - ii. To charge \$20 for the CLE to non-members, and
 - iii. To have Helen Nelson as the contact person for RSVPs.Jeff Misley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

6. Legislative Tracking Report

- A. Helen wanted everyone to know that the section can draft a bill if we want to do so, but she didn't think the section expressed much interest. There was a consensus not to draft a bill.

7. New Business:

- A. Supplying Materials at Swearing In.
 - i. We have been offered the opportunity to co-sponsor the swearing in ceremony and provide materials on our section to the Bar for distribution at the swearing in ceremony. Helen emailed the Executive Committee information on costs.
 - ii. The membership subcommittee offered to create materials to distribute. We also decided to invite new members to the CLE free of charge. We agreed to keep our materials to one page.
 - iii. Kari Dallas moved to provide materials at the ceremony and pay \$50 to co-sponsor the ceremony. Wyatt Rolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - iv. Michelle Lane will help coordinate payment.
- B. Round Up CLE final information. Joe asked when the final information on the CLE would be provided so we can forward it around. Helen said either Friday afternoon or early next week.

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 a.m.

Date of the next meeting is Friday, May 2, 2014, in advance of the Annual CLE

