

**OSB Agricultural Law Section**  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
September 4, 2015

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oregon State Bar Association Agricultural Law Section was held via teleconference on September 4, 2015. The meeting convened at 8:30 a.m., Chair Kari Dallas presiding.

1. Roll call. Those in attendance included:

Karin E. Dallas, Chair  
Jeff Misley, Chair Elect  
Mary Anne Nash, Secretary  
Michael J. Gelardi, Treasurer  
Wyatt Rolfe, Member-at-large  
Brandy Augusta Sargent, Member-at-large  
Sally Anderson Hansell, Member-at-large  
Caroline Lobdell, Member-at-large

Those not in attendance included:  
Helen Nelson, Past Chair  
Joseph H. Hobson, Member-at-large  
Drew Martin, Member-at-large  
Heath Curtiss, Advisory Member

Also in attendance:

Bar Liaison Danielle Edwards.

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

2. Review of June Minutes.
- A. Wyatt Rolfe moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Sally Anderson Hansell seconded. Motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report.
- A. Treasurer Mike Gelardi reported that we have a bank balance of about \$5,200 as of the end of August. We are currently \$300 above budget for revenue and \$300 below budget on spending.
4. Brownbag CLE Subcommittee Report.

- A. The subcommittee is going to aim to have their next event in late October or early November.
5. Formation of Nominating Subcommittee.
- A. The nominating subcommittee was unanimously approved via email vote, and that vote was ratified in the September meeting.
6. New Business.
- A. Presentation on New Oregon State Bar Policies. Dani Edwards gave a presentation on new policies the Board of Governors has been working on over the last few years. The Board of Governors undertook a program review of all programs to make sure they are operating effectively and efficiently, and made a number of changes to those policies that they determined needed to be updated. Highlights include:
    - Informational Items: All contracts need to be approved by bar general counsel. You have to look for ADA accessible buildings, and the bar staff can help with accommodation request. Section funds can't be spent on purchase of alcohol.
    - Policy changes: In late 2016 or early 2017, all sections will be required to use services available through the CLE services department when conducting CLE programs. Partial day programs registration services will be required. Prices will go up, but they will handle the whole event. For section websites, the bar is going to require that all sections move onto the bars platform. OSB will help with transition.
    - Items for feedback: Section fund balances - at the end of 2013, all bar sections had fund balance of \$706,000 and the balance was growing. It's not a problem for the bar, but it's not really a best practice for bar to accumulate those funds. Trying to figure out if they need to encourage sections not accumulate funds, or whether they should require them to lower dues, or increase the administrative rate.
  - B. Fall Flyers. We have been asked to provide flyers for the fall swearing in ceremony. The flyers are very cheap – somewhere in the neighborhood of \$2 for 30 flyers. Mary Anne Nash moved to print 50 flyers for the fall swearing in ceremony. Caroline Lobdell seconded. Motion carried.
  - C. Our next meeting will be the annual meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Date of the next meeting is Friday, October 2, 2015, at 8:30 a.m.