

**MINUTES OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
May 9, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jacqueline Jacobson called the Executive Committee (EC) to order at 11:00 A.M. at Salishan.

Committee members attending or absent were:

Exec Board Member	Present in Person	Present by Phone	Absent	Comments
Bohy, Ronald	X			
Ogawa, Jenny	X			
Chen, Bin	X			
Cole, Norm	X			
Edmunson, James	X			
Chris Frost	X			
Harrell, Tom		X		
Jacobson, Jacqueline	X			
Kate Caldwell	X			
Lesh, Allison	X			
Olney, M. Kathryn	X			
Oswald, John	X			
Parks, Carol	X			
Schoenfeld, Steven			X	
Semple, Keith	X			
Sencer, Nicholas			X	
VavRosky, Dennis	X			

II. MINUTES

A motion passed to defer approval of the EC Minutes for the April 11, 2014 meeting.

III. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Jacqueline Jacobson noted that our section sent a postcard to the spring 2014 Bar admittees.

She also noted that the OSB Lawyer Referral Service was having a focus group on the LRS fee issue. We were not invited to participate, but will contact the organizer for an update and further discussion.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Ron Bohy reported that the section account balance stood at \$26,800 as of 4/1/14. We currently have 324 paid section members and 328 members in total.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Access to Justice

Jenny Ogawa reported that she spoke with Paul Tichy, who created the directors for other sections. He is available by phone for our June meeting and will be invited to conference in at 12:30.

B. Communications/Tech

No report.

C. Salishan

Co-Chair Geoff Wren reported that 165 had registered for the conference. Additional registrants were expected at the door.

There has been a change in ownership at Salishan, and in the course of organizing this conference it was discovered that we had been undercharged in prior years according to the provisions of our contract. The old owners simply were not holding us to it. If we do not spend over a minimum amount for food, the room rates for our group would increase. As a result, we are now expecting a 20% increase in our food costs for this year's conference.

The group discussed the fact that we have enough surplus in our budget to absorb the additional cost for 2014. The Salishan Committee will attempt to renegotiate the contracts for future conferences and determine what concessions can be obtained for prospective future contracts.

There was some discussion of raising member dues or Salishan registration fees. The deadline for submitting a proposal to raise member dues is 10/1.

Ron Bohy suggested that we attempt to renegotiate future contracts prior to our July meeting so that we could then discuss whether to start work on a proposal for increasing member dues, as we do not meet in August.

D. Workers' Compensation Section Professionalism and Service Award

Plaque is ready for presentation.

E. Legislative / Rules

The group is still in need of ALJ members.

F. Nominating Committee

No report.

G. Bench / Bar Professionalism Committee

No report

H. Going Forward

No report

VI. OLD BUSINESS

None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The Executive Committee Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:55 a.m.
The next meeting will be at 12:00 P.M. on June 13, 2014 at the offices of the Oregon State Bar.