

**MINUTES OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
May 13, 2016**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tom Harrell called the Executive Committee (EC) to order at 10:39 a.m.

Committee members attending or absent were:

Exec Board Member	Present in Person	Present by Phone	Absent	Comments
Bohy, Ronald	x			
Caldwell, Katherine	x			
Chen, Bin			x	
Conratt, Linda	x			
DiCicco, Alana			x	
DiBartolomeo, Joe			x	
Frost, Christine			x	
Garrow, Phil	x			
Harrell, Tom	x			
Lesh, Allison	x			
Ogawa, Jenny	x			
Olney, Kathryn		x		
Oswald, John	x			
Schoenfeld, Steve			x	
Semple, Keith	x			
Smith, Bruce	x			
Wren, Geoffrey	x			
TOTAL				

II. MINUTES

A motion passed to approve the EC Minutes of the April 8, 2016 meeting.

III. Chair Report

Tom Harrell received a list of the Section members from the Bar. The list will be forwarded to Jenny Ogawa to sort out Section members by practice area (i.e. claimant, defense, ALJ).

Julie Masters agreed to serve as Webmaster (i.e. web content editor) for the Section's website under the Bar's new WordPress platform (starting July 1, 2016). A motion was presented to have Julie Masters serve as Webmaster. The motion was seconded and passed.

Steven Schoenfeld and Alana DiCicco's Executive Committee member terms are ending after December, 2016, without renewing. A motion was presented to have Jovanna Patrick and Martin Fisher become Executive Committee members replacing outgoing Schoenfeld and DiCicco. The motion was seconded and passed.

IV. Treasurer Report

Ron Bohy reported that as of March 31, 2016, the Section had a balance of \$32,385. The deposit for the 2017 Salishan conference has been paid. The section has 329 members.

V. Committee Reports

A. Salishan

As of the EC meeting time at Salishan, 157 people had registered for the Salishan CLE conference.

B. Professionalism Award

Tom Harrell told Judge Riechers she was the 2016 recipient of the Professionalism award. Dale Johnson was set to announce and introduce Judge Riechers at the Salishan CLE conference as the Professionalism award recipient.

Keith Semple suggested a checklist be created on the procedures for securing nominations for the Professionalism award and the delivery of the award for future Chairs to have as guidelines to follow. Chair Harrell agreed and a checklist with the procedures will be created to help future Chairs with the Professionalism award process.

A list of prior Professionalism award recipients is usually provided in the Salishan CLE materials.

C. Access to Justice

No report.

D. Bench/Bar

No report.

E. Going Forward

No report.

F. Legislative and Rules

Keith Semple reported that the proposed language submitted for statutory change regarding WCB Board Members qualifications that was discussed at the March, 2016 EC meeting was "shot down" by the Public Affairs Committee Legislative Forum and not approved to go forward for drafting. Apparently the proposed language did not fit the agenda for the Legislative Forum (i.e. "improvement of the law"). The proposed language may be viable to bring forward again in the future.

G. New Technologies/Communications

The Bar's new WordPress platform for the Section's website will go live July 1, 2016. Julie Masters will be the webmaster (i.e. web content editor) for the Section's website.

H. Nominations

No report.

VI. Old Business

None.

VII. New Business

None.

VIII. Adjournment and Next Meeting

The Executive Committee Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:54 a.m.

The next meeting will be at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 10, 2016 at the offices of the Oregon State Bar.