

**MINUTES OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
September 8, 2017**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jenny Ogawa called the Executive Committee (EC) to order at 12:06 PM.
EC Committee members attending or absent were:

Exec Board Member	Present in Person	Present by Phone	Absent	Comments
Bohy, Ronald	X			
Caldwell, Kate	X			
Chen, Bin			X	
Conratt, Linda		X		
Dibartolomeo, Joe		X		
Fisher, Martin		X		
Frost, Christine			X	
Garrow, Phil		X		
Harrell, Tom			X	
Lesh, Allison			X	
Ogawa, Jenny	X			
Olney, Kathryn	X			
Oswald, John	X			

Patrick, Jovanna			X	
Semple, Keith			X	
Smith, Bruce			X	
Wren, Geoffrey		X		
TOTAL	5	5	7	

II. MINUTES

The July minutes were approved with additions to proposed translation of written evidence portion of the Access to Justice report.

III. CHAIR REPORT

Section Handout for October 5 Bar Swearing-in Ceremony

Chair Ogawa sent out an email prior to the September meeting asking whether the EC wanted to provide handouts about the Workers' Compensation Section at the October 5th Bar swearing in ceremony. The EC voted by email and the result was unanimous with 17 yes votes.

Tabling at L&C

Chair Ogawa received a notice from from Lewis & Clark law school regarding an event. On October 4th, from 4:30 to 5:30 the law school is hosting a "Bar prowl." This is a social event providing sections the opportunity to informally introduce law students to the section. Chair-elect John Oswald will attend and will try to recruit others. Chair Ogawa will contact law school to register and will follow up with John.

One of the questions raised by the organizers of the event is whether our section provides student memberships and whether non-Bar members can be on section committees. No members present were sure of the answer to those questions.

The law school is requesting a donation for participation in the event. Treasurer Ron Bohy moved that we contribute \$100. The motion was seconded and passed.

House of Delegates meetings

Chair Ogawa reported that the House of Delegates regional meeting is scheduled for October 17th through 19th. The Annual House of Delegates meeting is set for November 3rd and Chair Ogawa is required to attend or appoint another committee member to attend in her place.

IV. TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Ron Bohy reported as of 7/31/17 the section's balance was \$25, 524. August numbers were not available, but he believes it will be about the same. The only big expense coming up is Bench Bar Forum. We are down 14 members from our budget, which is about the same as we were last year at this time. He suspects we will pick up a few additional members after the swearing in ceremony.

The budget for 2018 is due 12/1/17. We can discuss this at the next meeting before Bench Bar Forum or in the November meeting. As the meeting before Bench Bar Forum is usually busy, Ron thinks we should plan on discussing in November.

Ron received the \$200 bill from the Going Forward Committee for their event over the summer and that will be paid.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Professionalism Award

No report.

B. Access to Justice

No report – the next meeting is next week.

C. Salishan

No official report, but the committee noted they are always happy for suggestions for presentations.

The Portland Business Journal reported recently that Salishan resort is scheduled to be auctioned off at the end of the month. Our down payment for the 2018 meeting is already paid. If the new owners decide to no longer run it as a resort or do not honor existing contracts, we may need to find an alternative venue.

D. Bench Bar Forum

No report.

E. Going Forward

John Oswald will be going to the Lewis & Clark Bar Prowl event.

F. Legislative and Rules

No report.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Riverhouse Convention Center in Bend as an option for CLE

Chair Ogawa asked the Salishan committee to track the news about Salishan and come up with a potential alternative. Geoff Wren will relay that to the committee. Possible venues noted in the meeting were the Allison Inn in Newberg, Skamania Lodge, and the Salem Convention Center, which could be a good back up if we need a last-minute replacement for 2018.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

The EC meeting adjourned at 12:38 PM.

The next meeting will be at the Salem Convention Center on 10/20/2017 before Bench Bar Forum.