

**THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
November 18, 2022**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Chair Lesh called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm. Attendance was as follows:

Name	By Remote Conference	Absent
Allison B Lesh (Chair)	X	
Christine Coffelt Frost (Chair-Elect)	X	
Jovanna Patrick (Past Chair)	X	
Andrea K Knight (Treasurer)	X	
Martin M Fisher (Secretary)	X	
Spencer Aldrich	X	
Ian Brown	X	
Katherine Caldwell	X	
Trish Fleischman	X	
Philip Harry Garrow	X	
Heather L Holt	X	
Halah Ilias	X	
Martie McQuain	X	
Karli L Olson		X
Jenny Ogawa	X	
Christo de Villiers	X	
John Young		X
(BOG)		X
Logan Stewart (Bar Liaison)	X	

Spencer Aldrich was called away and left the meeting at 12:07 PM.

II. MINUTES

- Approve minutes (October 14, 2022)
 - Approved unanimously.

III. CHAIR REPORT

- HOD meeting recap
 - Two things. First, Bar dues have increased.
 - Second, resolution to create volunteer group to work with admin law sections to look at providing circuit court with judicial review authority. Unclear if this would affect WCB or WCD. Allison and Jovanna voted no.

- Jovanna noted discussion was held about ability for pro-bono attorneys to give gifts to clients (i.e., warm jacket, bus money, etc).
- Public affairs/legislation 2023
 - Legislative/rules committee chair
 - Rec'd letter from Public Affairs committee. We don't seem to have a contact there, so Allison volunteered.
 - Leg affairs committee is losing some members.
 - Chris Frost moved to eliminate the committee. Allison seconded.
 - Martin supported idea. Suggested moving leg monitoring duty to Chair-elect.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
- Donation requests
 - Lawyers for Literacy/SMART
 - Classroom Law Project (Gave \$500 in 2022)
 - OMLA (Gave \$500 in 2022)
 - The Commons Law Center

Allison noted we have \$1,500 budgeted for donations. Do we need to budget more to keep section balance below the OSB threshold to avoid paying full dues. Andrea did not believe that would be a problem.

Allison suggested giving \$500 to all four. Chris Frost discussed The Commons Law Center and said she was very impressed with the organization and is excited about contributing.

Allison moved to donate \$500 to each group. Chris Frost seconded. Passed unanimously.

IV. TREASURER REPORT

- Andrea report
 - Membership up to 306, with six new (one paying). October expenses largely related to Bench-Bar.
- 2023 section budget
 - Anticipate increased revenue due to raising Salishan fees, but also will have increased costs for Salishan.
 - Allison moved to approve proposed budget. Heather seconded. Approved unanimously.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Access to Justice (Jovanna)
 - Not met in several months, but have meeting on 11/28.
- Bench/Bar (Spencer)
 - N/A

- Going Forward (Spencer)
 - N/A
- Legislative and Rules (Chris Frost)
 - N/A (committee is scrapped)
- Professionalism Award (Jovanna)
 - N/A
- Salishan (Karli)
 - N/A
- Nominations (Phil)
 - N/A

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- Jovanna asked about Bar response re denial language. Allison said she's heard nothing. She'll make one more effort at a response, then it'll fall to Martin to continue the effort as part of "new" legislative monitoring duties for Chair-elect.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING – Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Passed unanimously. Adjourn at 12:32.

Next meeting is December 9, 2022, at 12:00pm via Zoom.