



Dispute Resolution Section

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

October 21, 2022

12:00pm – 1:30pm PST

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82282323088?pwd=Nnp1Z3oraTgwS2FDVIA2Vk1yZG01UT09>

Passcode: 12345

Attendees: Dee, Courtland, Chris, Mel, Melissa, Paula, Lish, Lauren (left at 1pm), Paula, Alan

12:00: Reflective Check-In (Pick one word to reflect your mood, current feeling, perspective, attitude or similar.)

12:05: Meeting Matters: Confirm quorum (majority: 6 of 11 current voting members) **Quorum confirmed, Meeting minutes approved; retreat minutes approval postponed until next meeting pending incorporation of changes.**

12:10: Follow Up on Retreat (where are we?)

NWDR conference—Paula had a conversation with WSBA who agreed to provide the logistics and provided a list of preferred venues. They will fill the the program on demand for 3 years, revenue split is 50 up to \$8K net; 65WSBA/35Section thereafter. Section—programming, marketing and outreach; WSBA will obtain continuing ED for other professions and other logistics such as trash emptying. See attached google doc. Timing—2023 would be a heavy lift, 2024 Spring is more realistic. Decisions re: logistics need to be in place no more than 6 months from now. It will take at least a year after that to plan programming. Dates need to be decided as soon as possible. Paula suggested we come up with 3 possible dates and then go to the venues to see who can accommodate what at what price. Thursday/Friday in the past. We also need to investigate other sponsors besides WSBA so we can keep the cost of the conference down. The Committee will investigate other sponsors such as the law schools and report back. Spring (March) of 2024 is our target date.

Action item from retreat as a follow up to diversity discussion was for us to talk about our grandparents. Melissa Fuller gave a lovely description of hers.

12:45: Nomination of new Treasurer—Lauren Novak--

12:55: Treasurer's Report: (Courtland)

No report is available, but no significant changes from the last report are expected

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1:00: CLE Update

See email from Mary re: CLE on Collaborative Law CLE

Melissa and Bob are looking at timing to present the Arbitration Processes for Virtual and Hybrid Hearings

1:05: Outreach Efforts:

- a. Once a month post to listserv or social media—People need to be more vigilant about trying to post at least once a month. Melissa will post about the openings on the committee with the exception of the Vice-Chair.
- b. Happy Hour. Courtland reported that there were about 6 people at the last one and hopefully attendance will grow again.
- c. Section Book & Media Club—Mel reported that there was a handful of people who attended but they all had read the book “The Right Mistake”. The new title “How to Sweet-Talk a Shark”

1:15: Committee Reports:

- a. **NWDRC** – Melissa reported that there is some interest from the former planning committee, responses are coming in to her reaching out.
- b. **Northwest Collaborative Futures Conference:** Melissa and/or Chris will talk to Emily
- c. **Legislation & Public Policy** (see above)

1:30: Adjourn