

WSBA CONSTRUCTION LAW SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

December 10, 2019 @ 5:00 p.m.

<u>DECEMBER MEETING</u> WILD GINGER 1403 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98101	CALL IN INFORMATION N/A
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AGENDA

1. Welcome – Amber Hardwick
2. Approval of November 2019 minutes – A. Hardwick (See Attachment 1)
3. Financial Report – J. Beyerlein
4. Mid Year Meeting/CLE – R. English/ B. Hill
5. Road Trip CLE - Vancouver – J. Piskel/ B. Sinner/ P. Spratt
6. Fall Forum – Next Year – A. Hardwick
7. Winter Forum – Colm Nelson/Bart Reed
8. Writing Competition – S. Millstein/B. Guthrie
9. Section Membership Benefits Webpage – J. Piskel
10. Newsletter Update – A. Tramountanas
11. For the Good of the Order

WSBA Construction Law Section Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2019

Paige Spratt (phone)	Rick Wetmore (phone)
Ron English (phone)	Eleen Trang, WSBA (phone)
Todd Henry (phone)	Joe Scuderi (phone)
Lena Hollohan (phone)	Athan Tramountanas
Brett Hill	Seth Millstein
Bart Reed	Amber Hardwick
Masaki Yamada	

The meeting commenced at 12:03 p.m. at Lane Powell. Chair Amber Hardwick presided.

Discussion

1. Approval of October Minutes. Minutes for October 9, 2019 were presented and unanimously approved.
2. Financial Report. Treasurer Jennifer Beyerlein was unavailable. Financial Report tabled until December.
3. Midyear Meeting/CLE. Brett Hill discussed the proposed speakers for the midyear, theme of alternative procurement. Brett confirms two speakers and three-four in progress. Brett proposes having new ethics speaker. Discussion ensued. Brett will consider a two-speaker ethics panel which includes Chris Soelling. Judge's panel discussed and new judges will be contacted for the panel. Bart is securing the space at One Union, the social hour will be at Stoel Rives.
4. Road Trip CLE. Paige Spratt update that ethics will be with a local Portland mediator. Discussed proposed cost of \$275 nonmembers/\$240 members. Discussion ensued about past event costs.
5. Fall Forum – Space Needle. Amber Hardwick reported attendance of over 65 attendees, several of whom traveled from as far as Spokane to attend the event. Speakers Blair Payson (Olson Kundig) and Cress Wakefield (Arup) did a great job. Positive feedback from all. The late addition of Atmos tickets caused the Section to incur \$1800 more than originally anticipated. To partially offset this, the ticket price was increased from \$25 members/\$50 nonmembers to \$35 members/\$55 nonmembers. Hardwick requested a motion to ratify this change. Unanimously approved.
Total revenue was \$2,690, which goes toward the cost of the event. Total cost of the event was \$7,398.72. FTI Consulting, contributed \$2,000 toward the beverages and food. The Section expected that the income would not cover all costs. Tramountanas asks that the record reflect that the Section's positive use of its excess income for the benefit of section members.

6. Winter Forum. Bart Reed confirmed Lien Research will sponsor \$1,500. Event is tentatively scheduled for February 6, 2020. Jon Strait was tentatively set to be the speaker on the topic of ethics in negotiation.
7. Writing Competition. Seth Millstein discussed timing of notice to law students as April, and asked Rick to promote it at Gonzaga. Rick's new associate was a prior winner and, based on her feedback, he recommends reminders sent to students in order to maximize participation. Seth Millstein will propose a theme at the next meeting.
8. Section Membership Benefits Webpage. Tabled until Jason Piskel present.
9. Executive Council Dinner. Amber Hardwick confirmed December 10 at Wild Ginger. Past ten years of prior section chairs will be invited. Purpose facilitate an effective and collaborative executive council calling on the wisdom of prior chairs.
10. Newsletter Update. Athan Tramountanas is working on getting it out, requests Chair Report.
11. For the Good of the Order. Seth Millstein proposes replacing the Section's sign. Hardwick requests that he put together the cost of the proposal for the next meeting.

END OF MINUTES