

WSBA CONSTRUCTION LAW SECTION COUNCIL MEETING

September 9, 2020 @ 12:00 p.m.

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| <p>MEETING Virtual Zoom Meeting Only</p> | <p>CALL IN INFORMATION Phone: +1(669)900-9128 Meeting ID: 946 7577 9507 Password: 36589433 URL: https://oacsvcs.zoom.us/j/94675779507?pwd=SWx0VWJvMWVHUmp5cTNyWGtXSfcwdz09</p> |
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AGENDA

1. Welcome – A. Hardwick
2. Approval of July 8, 2020 minutes – A. Hardwick (See Attachment 1)
3. Financial Report – J. Beyerlein
4. Road Trip CLE (*Vancouver Recap from August 28, 2020*) – P. Spratt
5. Winter Forum (*Call for topics*) – B. Reed
6. Mid-Year CLE (*Call for topics*) – B. Reed/R. English
7. Writing Competition Planning – S. Millstein
Proposed Topic for Discussion: RCW 18.27.040(6) -- can the prevailing party (owner and / or contractor) recover attorney fees if both the bond and contractor are sued?
8. Section Membership Benefits Webpage (*Design-Build Contract Status*) – B. Hill
9. Newsletter Update – A. Tramountanas
10. For the Good of the Order

Attachment 1

Construction Law Section Meeting Minutes July 8, 2020

Attendees:

Brett Hill
Bryce Sinner
Bart Reed
Lena Holohan
Paige Spratt
Amber Hardwick

Seth Millstein
Allison Murphy
Jennifer Beyerlein
Athán Trámountanas
Eileen Trang

The meeting commenced at 12:00 pm via Zoom, and recessed at about 1:00 p.m. Amber Hardwick chaired.

Discussion

1. Approval of March Minutes - Minutes were approved as presented.
2. Financial & Budget – Jennifer provided the financials report. Still at \$34,000 in the bank. Section needs to submit proposed budget for next fiscal year by this Friday (7/10). Discussed increasing section dues. Tabled for now as there is no current section revenue need. Decided to put \$3,500 aside for writing competition. Maintain \$750 for special projects. Maintain \$2,500 for retreat/in-person event.
3. Law Student Outreach – Discussed outreach night at Gonzaga School of Law currently scheduled to take place in October, 2020. There is room in budget to support the event. Motion passed to proceed with event at \$75.
4. Elections Report – Discussed and welcomed new section members.
5. Mid-Year Recap/Lessons Learned – Brett Hill discussed the mid-year CLE. 63 attendees attended the CLE. \$6,256 went to the section for the event. Made half as much as prior years due to agreement to reduce rates for COVID/web-based CLE. Brett to share lessons learned with Paige for Road Trip CLE. Brett requested co-chairs for next year's event. Discussed gift cards for Stoel staff involved in setting up CLE event. Motion passed to buy gift cards (\$300) for Carlene and Kimberlee from Stoel as thank you gifts for successful event.
6. Road Trip CLE – Paige Spratt discussed the upcoming Road Trip CLE. Paige has confirmed speakers for August 28th. Discussed how to increase social hour participation. Gift basket raffle discussed to stay in attendance for social hour. No COVID topics at presentation.
7. Fall Forum – Brett Hill discussed skipping the CLE altogether because of presumed lack of participation given other CLEs and lack of in-person location to draw attendees. Motion passed to cancel the fall forum.
8. Writing Competition – Seth gave a report on the writing competition. Less entries than usual

but quality of submissions was great. Athan will be publishing the top two submissions. Motion passed to ratify the awards to the winners. Timing of competition tabled to next meeting.

9. Section Member Benefits - Brett went through DB contract from Robin - sees no issues. Amber will review the DB contract with Brett before it goes on the webpage.
10. Winter Forum – Bart called for topics. DB contract discussed as a potential topic. DBIA? Insurance side speaker? Owner side speaker? Virtual reality in construction and trials? Follow-up on topics in September.
11. Newsletter Update – Athan gave an update on newsletter. Athan did a call for cases for newsletter. P. Cressman update.

