



WSBA ELUL Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 21, 2023 at 3 PM by Zoom

Section Members Present: Donya (1), Martha (2), Tom (3), Jason (4), Kyler (5), Caroline (6), Albert (7), and Gabby (8). There was a quorum (> 50%) of the 11 current EC voting members since 8 were present. The new EC members who will be onboarded in October (Nick Sweeney, Jessica Pilgrim, and Allison Bolgiano) and 2024 Mid-year Co-Chair Dylan Stonecipher were also present.

WSBA Staff present: Carolyn MacGregor, Sally Romero

Call to Order, Introductions, Consent Items (Donya)

- Donya called the meeting to order and reviewed the proposed agenda.
- **Presentation of Prior Meeting(s) Minutes (Tom)**

Tom presented the draft Minutes from the August 9 meeting, which had been distributed to the EC by email. Tom advised no requests for changes had been received and none were requested in the meeting. Tom moved the EC for approval; Martha seconded the motion. There was no opposition and the motion was approved.

A. Updates and Assignments

1. Feedback Requested: WSBA Sections Legislative Proposals (Donya).

Donya solicited comments on the proposals she had distributed. No comments received.

2. FY23 Report to WSBA (Donya)

Donya led a discussion of the FY23 Report, which is due October 13. She advised she will use the FY22 Report as a template. There was a general discussion of suggested content.

3. Mini CLE Update (Jason)

Jason updated the EC on the planned mini CLE for November 14 at 1:30 pm led by Molly Lawrence, who will cover environmental justice and land use issues. He advised the preliminary materials have been submitted to the Bar. In response to Martha's question the EC discussed planned advertising for the CLE, including a Save the Date notice. Jason also advised that, for the December CLE, he has booked the Bar's 48-person room and will be seeking an Ethics presenter.

Action: Martha will send a save the date notice

Action: EC members to ask for speakers about ethics committee members.



4. Communications and Website (Gabby, Caroline)

WSBA Website Updates, Survey

Caroline reported on updates WSBA is doing to all of the section websites and solicited inputs to the Section's desires re the website update. There was a general discussion regarding topics such as a Members Only page and descriptions of EC member roles. She will report in again at an upcoming meeting.

5. Law School Outreach (Rachel, Gabby)

Mentorship program, status.

Rachel and Gabby updated the group on plans for a "speed networking" event to be held at Perkins Coie downtown. She advised there seems to be a consensus that ELUL should leverage the SEER mentorship program, rather than work to develop its own.

Action: Rachel and Gabby to post upcoming events on the blog/website.

6. Articles/Blog (Gabby, Caroline)

Updates regarding blog contributions/ recruitment.

Caroline advised that one of the editors (Clifford) has advised he will rotate off that role. Two other editors remain.

7. 2024 Midyear.

-Call for proposed speakers and topics, keynote speaker

-EC Members encouraged to speak as this eases pressure on ELUL Section budget

Martha and Dylan updated the group on the status of planning. Dylan Stonecipher and AT Miller will conduct a brainstorm on topics and speakers at October meeting.

Martha advised there will be an expectation that all of the EC members participate at some level (such as a speaker or panel moderator role).

8. Open positions 2023-24

We have some interest and nominations.

Additional suggestions or nominations? Reach out to candidates from more recent election?

Martha solicited ideas to new EC member. She advised of her plan to bring up the matter for a vote at the October meeting. There was general discussion of potential candidates.

9. Legislative Updates (Gabby, Martha)

There was no discussion of this topic.



B. Budget Issues and Financial Review

- **Section Financials (Donya, Carolyn)**
See att. June 2023 financial reports

There was no discussion of this topic.

C. WSBA/BOG and Section Liaison Updates

Updates (as raised) (none known for July) (BOG Liaisons, Others)

There was no discussion of this topic.

D. Old Business

10. ELUL Writing Competition (Rachel).

Rachel advised the awards had been disbursed and authors have agreed to share articles on ELUL blog after they are published early 2024

11. WSBA Alcohol Policy. (Donya)

Donya updated the EC that she had provided the Bar the ELUL Section's opinion.

12. Budget

Donya updated the EC that she had submitted the ELUL FY24 budget request to WSBA. There was no discussion.

E. New Business

- **Other business? (All)**
- Dates to note:
 - October 4, Perkins Coie:** Young Lawyer Mixer in Seattle (fall networking event)
 - November 14:** Mini CLE (virtual)
 - December 14:** Mini CLE (hybrid) followed by EC social in Seattle (we may still need volunteers to help plan the social)
 - April 18-20:** Mid-Year CLE (hybrid) at Suncadia, with EC Meeting (April 18) and Annual Meeting

F. Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 11, 2023, 3:30-4:45 PM
By Zoom



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