



WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Taxation Section

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – January 21, 2022
Zoom Meeting due to COVID-19 Pandemic

January 21, 2022: Meeting of the WSBA Tax Section

Persons in Attendance by Zoom or Telephone:

1. Claire Taylor -- Chair
2. Kristi L. Richards – Vice Chair
3. Megan Tahl- Secretary
4. Cat Connell – Treasurer
5. Darek Jarski
6. Al Mullins
7. Reed Jones
8. Ellen Tung
9. Megan Lowe
10. Carolyn MacGregor
11. Sofia Meglioli
12. Dan Jensen
13. Sienna Boyd
14. Daniel Sito
15. William Richard
16. Jason Harn
17. Rich Johnson
18. Dan French

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- 8:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order
 - A motion to approve the prior meeting minutes was made, seconded, and passed.

Treasurer's Report (Cat Connell)

- The Section maintains a decent fund balance; working on spend down with reduced fees, need additional spending.

New Items Discussion:

- Elections are coming up.
 - Megan Tahl and Cat Connell need to be voted into the positions that they already hold
 - We need a volunteer to act as treasurer for next year.



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- Assume that everyone is continuing in their position unless Claire is told otherwise.
 - If there are potential new board members it is important that we get them involved.
- Elections are annual and WSBA wants everyone in our group to go through the application process.
 - WSBA is holding some Zoom sessions and they would like the tax section to be involved.
 - Friday, March 18 (9:30am – 10:30am);
 - Friday, April 8 (12:00 – 1:00pm):
 - RSVP, email carolynm@wsba.org
 - Cat volunteered for one of the sessions
- Zoom Tax Section Town Hall
 - March 10th at 4pm is the proposed timing.
 - One committee member per subcommittee would be preferred.
 - Should we manage breakout rooms and keep the meeting more informal and interactive.
 - We will send out a calendar placeholder
- Considering moving the meeting from February 18th to February 25th.
- Updates for Carolyn McGregor
 - Elections have been covered
 - Important to reach out to other section members during license renewal in order to ensure people rejoin or continue as members of the section
 - Legislative primer
 - Instructions and discussion on how the sections can make legislative comment.
 - Request to the Washington Supreme Court to have meetings to discuss the WSBA and licensing process including the possibility of a bifurcated Bar Association.
 - There will be 8 meetings to discuss this meeting prior to August.
 - The committee is titled “ETHOS”
 - There is a formal agenda for each meeting, but the meetings will include a comment period.



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- For the moment nothing is changing but the idea of a bifurcated bar is being considered.
- Claire is going to attend and keep the tax section updated.

Individual Committee Reports

Estate & Gift Tax (Cat Connell & Reed Jones)

- Monitoring to see if there are any proposed bills within the Washington Legislature.
- Nothing appears to be happening right now but
- Next meeting will be 2/15/2022

International Tax (Tuan Ngo & Al Mullins)

- No updates

Transactional Tax (Dan Sito)

- No updates

IRS Liaison (William Richard)

- No updates

DOR Liaison (Dan Jensen)

- CLE is happening on 1/21/2022 at 10am
- More CLEs are intended for the future

Legislative (Brett Durbin)

- No updates

Communications & Website (Rich Johnson)

- No updates

Young Lawyers (Megan Lowe)

- Met with Dan French to discuss the Young Attorney's breakfast.
- Planning for a Zoom meeting with the potential for an in person happy hour.
- Planning to get the Gonzaga and UW students more involved in the section through this meeting.
 - Planning for the end of April.

Outreach/Scholarship (Eric Reutter)



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- No updates

Pro Bono Committee (Jennifer Gellner)

- No updates

State & Local Tax (SALT) (Aaron Johnson)

- No updates

CLE (Jason Harn & Sofia Meglioli)

- The mini CLE is today (January 21st)

DEI (Sienna Boyd & Ellen Tung)

- No updates

Meeting Adjourned at 8:42 AM