

Mike Longyear discussed Yakima meeting with estate planning counsel about what the Elder Law Section does for the Elder Law Practice. Hope to connect with Snohomish County and Nick will connect with the East side. More on outreach: (1) Miriam Ayoub and Meredith Grigg are working on the section social + Greenfield fundraiser which will be in February/March at Aegis on Capitol Hill; (2) Greenfield Internship 2026 has been posted on the NJP website and we're taking applications through 12/31/25; (3) Meredith just updated the seniors publications with the new nursing home rates! They're up on Washington LawHelp and I'll send a note to the section; (4) a new program to help people who are being involuntarily discharged (evicted) from long-term care facilities is launching in January 2026 – Meredith will send the flyer about it to the section. February/March.

12:51 **Treasurer Report** Matt Parker

Last report was prepared by the WSBA – was for August of last year. Not the complete fiscal year. We have balance of \$135,000, but that was prior to some significant distributions. No further updates. Waiting on fiscal yearend report.

12:52 **WSBA Sections Program Specialist** Carolyn MacGregor

Discussed New magazine feature “Sections Spotlight”, which is published in the WSBA Newsletter. Advised we reach out to the WSBA. Also, noted expectations for fiscal year end report.

12:55 **WSBA Board of Governors** L. Parvin Price

Update on the last BOG meeting. No significant changes to WSBA budget. Discussions started on 2027! Budget, finances, etc. No major changes are expected other than cost of living. For instance, 2026 increase was \$10. Keller Deduction: Based on Court case which ruled that members may elect to reduce their license fee payment by the pro rata amount used for political activities not related to regulating the practice of law or improving the quality of legal services. Also mentioned efforts to oversee bar passing rates for those graduating from WA law schools by school. Chart pass rate to see how well law school prepares students to pass the bar. Went into potential conflicts of interest between those active in WSBA and those active in politics. E.g. A BOG member running for political office. Tough area to enter, as many of those on BOG are also active in community affairs. Apparently, the BOG had a long discussion about this, and is considering restricting using WSBA BOG connection as a political credential. Did not appear to accomplish a lot on this topic, and the policies and procedures are not well defined. Apparently BOG will take this up in January 2026.

1:06 **New Business** Suzanne Thompson Winner

No New Business.

1:10 **Closing** All .