

**SENIOR LAWYERS SECTION
MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

February 15, 2023

This meeting was conducted via Zoom. The following Executive Committee members and WSBA personnel were present at this meeting: Interim Chair David Sprinkle, Eleanor Doermann, Al Armstrong, Jeanine Lutzenhiser, Jenny Rydberg, Jim Riehl, Steve DeForest, Bill Cameron, Brian Comstock, BOG Co-Liaison Jordan Crouch, Young Lawyer Liaison Sabiha Ahmad and Carolyn MacGregor, WSBA Sections Program Specialist. Not able to be present were BOG Co-Liaison Kevin Fay, Carole Grayson, Joe Gordon and Morrie Shore.

CHAIR'S REPORT

As Al was having difficulties getting linked into our Zoom meeting, Jeanine agreed to take notes until such time as the appearance of Al.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Jeanine's January's Meeting Minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

David conveyed Joe's report: we have no remaining revenues from the 2019 Section CLE; there was actually a loss of \$2,924. Carolyn explained that when WSBA is a partner for a CLE, they assume any loss, and this does not affect the Section going forward. We have no revenue budgeted for any upcoming CLE. Joe reported to David that he hadn't received December's financials from WSBA; Carolyn confirmed that those were available, and she would make sure Joe got them.

ELECTIONS UPDATE

Jeanine reported on the elections schedule on behalf of the elections/nominating subcommittee (Jeanine, Carole, and Mike Frost). The committee turned in the elections set-up form to WSBA last week. This form confirms this year's officers, and which positions are open for the next year (all of them except immediate past chair). WSBA had a questions about who will be the immediate past chair for FY24, given that this is a rotating position this year. Steve proposed that we just put all four names in that spot. Carolyn confirmed that there was no reason not to do that, so we'll do it. Jeanine will report that to Noah at WSBA.

As usual, our Section won't require additional materials for any applicant for an EC position; they just need to complete the online application.

The next task for the elections subcommittee will be to go through our SLS membership roster. Relying especially on Carole and Mike's institutional knowledge, the committee will identify members whom we might reach out to and possible nominate to serve on the EC. Jeanine will check with Noah, who confirmed that he could sent that roster, and get it to Mike and Carole (who is communicating when she is able during her extended travel through Mexico). Elections will open before our next EC meeting, so the committee will keep EC members updated via e-mail.

Here is the schedule for the elections:

March 13: Candidate applications open
April 17: applications close
June 5, voting begins
June 19: voting ends

SURVEY MONKEY QUESTIONNAIRE

The Committee, by Motion, approved the specific questions to be included on our survey. It was determined to allow one week for the Section members to respond, beginning this coming Monday (February 20).

CLE SUBCOMMITTEE AND CLE DATE

It was determined that our full-length CLE will take place on Friday, June 30. As the program for this CLE was sketched out last year in anticipation of the COVID-related safety precautions being lifted by spring 2022 (which didn't happen), it was decided to reconstitute the CLE Subcommittee originally tasked with producing this CLE. Jeanine said she to get in touch with Carole about this. Several others at our meeting (Jim, David and Jenny) said they would be glad to assist presenting our CLE.

INTERIM CHAIR CONUNDRUM

David's turn on the hot seat ends in March, but the succeeding three-month slot had yet to see a volunteer. Jim suggested, absent some other agreed-upon arrangement, a permanent rotating schedule, with all E.C. members taking their respective three-month turns. Jeanine said she might be willing to serve as the interim Chair for the April, May and June period, but she cautioned her time may be cramped by the arrival of her grandchild this April.

BOG LIAISON REPORT

Jordan indicated that matters dealing with the possible relocating of the WSBA office were discussed at the recent BOG meeting. Jordan said he would keep us abreast of developments in this area, as well as other issues facing the BOG.

NEWSLETTER

Jim expressed appreciation for all who helped get our most recent newsletter—our winter edition—out for publication. “It took a village to get this out.” Sabiha stated that the winter edition is currently on our website.

Steve expressed some consternation about how long, after the final draft is put together, the Bar takes to review our work. Carolyn allowed that there were a “number of hands in the pot” during the review process. She briefly explained the internal review process.

ADJOURNMENT

David adjourned the meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will take place on a remote-attendance basis on March 15, 2023 at 10:30 am.