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WSBA Solo and Small Firm  
Executive Committee Meeting  
May 19, 2026, 8:00 a.m.  
*Minutes, Draft*  
Zoom Meeting

**Present**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chair: Nicholas Pleasants	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chair-Emerita: Darcel Lobo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Molly Ashe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer Bruce Gardiner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary Michele Moore	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tyler O'Brien, YLC
<input type="checkbox"/> Ann Guinn, Advisor	<input type="checkbox"/> Kari Petrasek, At-large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Redenbaugh, Advisor
<input type="checkbox"/> Zachary Bryant, At-large	<input type="checkbox"/> Margeaux Green, WSBA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carolyn MacGregor, WSBA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zach Burr, At-large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Fowler, At-large	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shea Meehan, At-large

There was a quorum of members necessary for voting purposes.

- I. Call to Order: Chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
- II. Approval of April Minutes: Approval 9-0-2
- III. Reports
  - A. Treasurer: Bruce Gardiner
    1. No spending in April
    2. Reserve fund has \$130,980.
  - B. Education Subcommittee: Michelle Moore.
    1. Next CLE to be presented in June will focus on preserving cases for appeal.
    2. May CLE will be rescheduled due to speaker unavailability.
    3. Margot is working on preparing a CLE with Smokeball.

- C. Electronic Communications Subcommittee: Tyler O'Brien
- D. Membership Subcommittee: Nick Pleasants
  - 1. Rainiers game upcoming
  - 2. Potential upcoming event at a golf simulator to be coordinated by Zach Bryant for Whatcom County
  - 3. Shea/Tyler will coordinate an event in Benton County.
  - 4. August 7 Mariners game has been confirmed.
  - 5. Discussed planning for Summer events throughout the state.
  - 6. Discussion of program targeted to law school students
  - 7. Nick Pleasants is planning to set up a townhall discussion on Practice of Law/Regulated Entities.
  - 8. Member count: 1064
- IV. Old Business
  - 1. Town Hall: Friday at Noon regarding Entity Regulation. The website for the program can be accessed here: <https://www.wsba.org/about-wsba/entity-regulation-pilot>.
- V. New Business
  - 1. Elections: No contested positions for upcoming elections.
  - 2. WSBA/Bog Report: Carolyn: Elections are complete. Discussed results of elections and appointments.
  - 3. Upcoming Events: Nick Pleasants
    - A. Star Summit- Discussed the Section potentially sponsoring the event, which will take place at the end of June in Ellensburg.
      - i. The event will be focused on how to support solo and small firm practitioners in rural areas.
      - ii. The section voted on a \$1,000 sponsorship of the Summit. The motion was approved 11-0.
    - B. Conference Planning Committee: Darcel Lobo
      - i. The committee is seeking a keynote speaker.
      - ii. Additional speakers have been confirmed.
      - iii. Conflicts with dates for other conferences cannot be avoided due to existing finalized contracts.
- VI. Association of Legal Assistants: Molly Ashe
  - A. Get to Know ALA event scheduled for September in Bellevue at a vendor's space.
  - B. Vendor fair took place in early Spring.
- VII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:43 a.m.
- VIII. Next Meeting will be Tuesday, June 16, 2026.