Construction Law Section Meeting Minutes September 13, 2017

Attendees:

Athan Tramountanas	Colm Nelson
Ron English	Seth Millstein
Brett Hill	Janelle Brennan
Jennifer Beyerlein	Amber Hardwick
John Evans	Zak Tomlinson
Joe Scuderi	Rick Wetmore
Bryce Sinner	Jason Piskel
Julianne Unite	Rob Crick

Not participating: Bart Reed, Todd Henry, and Sean Skillingstad

The meeting commenced at 12:00 pm at the law offices of Short Cressman, and recessed at about 12:50 p.m. Athan Tramountanas chaired.

Discussion

- 1. <u>Approval of July Minutes</u> Minutes were approved as presented.
- 2. <u>Financial</u> Jennifer reported that the budget was submitted; she doesn't know yet if it was approved. For the fiscal year ending September 30, we are running a little over budget. We do not have the figures for the June CLE yet.
- 3. <u>Special Project Update</u> Amber reported that the project was completed. Athan will present the plaque to Marisa.
- 4. <u>Writing Competition</u> Athan reported that Tom will be speaking with law school deans in the next couple weeks, and wanted to know if we want to set the prize amount and topics. The Council discussed a first place prize of \$2,500, with a second place price discretionary on merit, up to \$1,000 with the flexibility not to award at all. Possible topics included city preference for disadvantaged businesses, and ADA accessibility requirements.
- 5. <u>Newsletter update</u> Athan reported he has all the needed articles, and will include information on the Fall CLE and Winter Forum when it is published near October 1.
- 6. <u>Fall CLE (Tri Cities</u>) John reported that we are not able to hold it on October 6 due to speaker availability and the site not being available. John is looking for a Thursday in November to hold it.
- 7. Fall Forum (Nov. 8) It will be held from 5:30-7 at the WSBA offices. The topic will be the

recent changes to AIA forms. Jennifer reported that we need someone to sponsor the drinks. Several suggestions were provided and Jennifer will follow up. A tentative budget for food and drink was set at about \$1,000.

- 8. <u>Winter Forum</u> Bob Olson was not present, but the group felt we should do it again. Athan will contact Bob.
- 9. <u>Deskbook</u> Ron reported that we are coming to the end of the two month period allotted for peer review of the 26 chapters. If we do not stay on schedule WSBA will not be able to publish before the June 2018 CLE. At this time we still need 19 chapters to be reviewed. Ron has asked the other editors to contact the reviewers but has not received any report back. Ron will send out the list of peer reviewers to the Editorial Board members and ask them to contact the reviewers for their respective chapters.
- 10. <u>WSBA website transition changes</u> Jason stated that he has no news to report.
- 11. <u>Bylaws (approved and posted)</u> The revised bylaws are posted on the website.
- 12. <u>Annual Report (due October 13)</u> Athan will prepare and submit it.
- 13. <u>New Business</u> Athan reported that there are two open section nights, and asked if we should continue to participate. Amber will attend the Seattle meeting on January 24. Athan will ask Sean to attend the one in Tacoma on November 1. Joe offered to attend in Tacoma.

NEXT MEETING IS ON OCTOBER 11, 2016

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END OF MINUTES