



Civil Rights Law Section

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

MEETING MINUTES
WSBA – Civil Rights Law Section
July 5, 2022
(DRAFT)

PRESENT: Sarah Derry, Laura Sierra, Cameron Sheldon, Margarita Kutsin, Tobin Klusty, Mickey Mortiz, Breanne Schuster, Tim Brooks.

1. **Motions to adopt/amend prior minutes**
 - a. June minutes adopted with majority vote, with an abstention from Margarita Kutsin and Mickey Mortiz.
2. **Annual Working Session – Reminder**
 - a. Debrief – discussion regarding train metaphor.
 - i. Proposed Edits to Values/Mission
 1. Discussion regarding references to fundamental rights.
 - ii. Goal Setting
 1. Membership Growth
 2. Documenting Current Work
 3. Building the Framework for Incoming Executive Comm.
 - a. Committing to protection of fundamental rights, three GR 12 statements.
 4. Legislative Committee Goals
 - a. Building relationships, in person meetings, improvements to internal communication and turn around.
 5. CLE Goals
 - a. Discussion regarding how many to have, how many to think about moving forward
 - iii. Bylaws Re: Appointment Discussion
 1. Draft amendment proposal discussed.
 - iv. Proposed Use of Remaining Budget
 - v. Civics
 1. Discussion regarding potential in-person, virtual, or hybrid.
3. **Proposed Edits to Values/Mission**
 - a. Review proposed edits
 - i. Further review will occur of master copy in rounds, with individual EC members proposing changes in turns.
4. **Goal Setting**
 - a. Review proposed framework

- i. Will be submitted in advance of next meeting, seeking further comments and suggestions from EC.
- 5. **Membership Drive**
 - a. Leverage WSBA data
 - i. Discussion regarding use of listserv.
 - ii. Our own members, law firms that might have interested individuals. Pro bono committees at firms.
 - b. Outreach to Law Schools
 - i. Discussed opportunities for student outreach, outreach to certain professors, events.
 - ii. Discussion regarding establishing outreach/membership committee.
 - c. Development of press kit?
 - i. Letter from the section laying out important areas to civil rights law.
 - ii. Specific events to drive increased participation.
 - iii. Facebook page creation.
- 6. **Proposed Bylaw Amendment**
 - a. Discussion of process and proposed amendment to adopt.
 - b. EC voted for presentation at a special election of proposed bylaws for vote by the membership on the bylaws.
- 7. **Newsletter/Article re: SCOTUS Decisions**
 - a. Discussion regarding drafting newsletter piece regarding recent SCOTUS decisions
- 8. **CLEs**
 - a. Discussion regarding working with Randy Winn, Chair of World Peace through Law Section to put on joint CLE regarding voting rights. 2 credits, free to attendees. Cam would be point person for putting it on and publicizing. EC voted to allocate \$50 to cosponsor CLE.
 - b. Co-sponsor with Campaign for Equal Justice on Civil Legal Aid Nov. 2022
 - i. Dates to be provided.
 - c. Civics Panels
 - i. Dates to be provided
- 9. **Equity & Disparity Work Group Update**
- 10. **Upcoming Events/Opportunities**
 - a. Sections Discussion Series: The Future of Open Sections Night – Member Engagement and Recruitment – July 7, 2022
 - b. Bar Structure Study (ETHOS)
 - i. July 23, 2022 in Tacoma and via Zoom
 - ii. August 13, 2022 in Seattle and via Zoom
 - c. General Meeting July 21-22, 2022: Tacoma Convention Center
- 11. **Open Table: Outstanding Topics or Update(s)**
 - a. ListServ Clean Up - sections@wsba.org
 - i. Discussion regarding reports of not receiving list serv emails. EC Members to follow up with WSBA.
 - ii. Another option- email sections@wsba.org with:
 - 1) email address in your mywsba account
 - 2) email address you wish to receive list serve communications

- 3) name(s) of the list serve(s) you wish to be included on.
- b. EC to review proposed changes to GR 12, equity task group organizations will provide feedback in advance of BOG review in September.