

**LGBT Law Section of the WSBA  
Executive Committee Meeting minutes, Tuesday, May 16, 2017**

Present by telephone:

Dana O'Day-Senior  
Betsy A. Crumb  
Corinne Smith  
Joe Terrenzio  
Linda Nye

Meeting called to order at 4:02 p.m.

Topics:

**By-Laws**

Joe: The last date for the section to consider/amend/approve its new by-laws is 06-28-2017.

New by-laws were sent out to Exec. Committee by Betsy earlier today, but not everyone on the call has had opportunity to review them prior to this meeting.

Dana stated that the next election for officers can't take place until after the new by-laws take effect on 10-01-2017. The practical result is that the officers and other Exec Committee members will stay in their current positions for effectively another year, in order for the LGBT Section to get in step with the other sections. Meanwhile, we don't want to be paralyzed, and it will be possible to fill positions that become vacant. When next elections do occur, trustees will all become at large members.

Joe clarified certain matters:

1. Under the new by-laws, e-mail voting will not be permissible on new issues; it will be permitted only as to issues that have already been raised in a live meeting, and only members who attended the meeting will be able to vote by e-mail.
2. All the Exec. Committee members will retain their present positions until October, 2018 due to the new by-laws coming into effect *unless* the Section decides to hold an election. The LGBT section may hold an election this year if it wishes to – most of the sections are holding elections this year. No-one presently holding an office is required to stay in it for an additional year if they do not wish to.
3. The new by-laws go into effect as soon as they are approved, *not* on 10-01-2017.

Dana discussed possibility of creating some flexibility in how section can meet, as anything the Board of Governors approves can be used.

All Exec. Committee members to review proposed by-laws in preparation for next meeting.

Next meeting is 06-13-2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Adjourned: 4:36 p.m.