



# MINUTES

## Executive Committee Call

November 20, 2019 | 4 PM

**Participants:** Vanessa Hunsberger, Regina Paulose, Anne Watanabe, and Randy Winn.

### Monthly Section Financial Reports

Regina and Vanessa are not receiving the monthly section financial reports that Mickey and Anne used to. Anne will look into this and connect us.

### Approval of October Meeting Minutes

No quorum for approving meeting minutes. We'll take care of this during our January meeting instead.

### CLEs

Our Iran CLE was very timely with what has happened there in the past week. It's good that we held it when we did! We'll have to ask Camille how it went (no one on the executive committee call was able to participate)

December 2 webinar: need to decide whether Randy or Camille will be facilitating. Regina will introduce them both to the speaker.

November 15 Human Right to Health CLE: very high quality speakers; it's just too bad that our attendance was low. But participants were engaged and we should definitely make sure to raise awareness about the recording. Hopefully the tech issues can be overcome so that we have a high-quality recording.

Cultural Heritage Protection CLE: SU is very excited about the opportunity and it has been circulated; Regina has done outreach to UW, Gonzaga, and WSBA too. She will be reaching out to criminal law professors next. Anne and Regina basically have the day's program figured out with Sal Mungia doing an ethics session. Still working on incorporating some other speakers to highlight Native American, Middle Eastern, South Asian, Jewish, and indigenous people's perspectives. The event will be followed by a reception. Should we have an executive committee meeting afterwards? Regina and Anne are looking for sponsors so please share any suggestions you have. Regina has reached out to other sections to gauge interest.

### Book Club

2 book groups meeting in Feb in Valley View (7 PM on Feb 25; reading *The Sun Does Shine*) and Burien (2-4 PM on Feb 19; reading *Just Mercy*) and 2 book groups meeting in the summer in Valley View and Burien. New title added to discussion: *Why We Can't Wait* by MLK. Anne is looking into involving more youth in the program. King County Library System will publicize this online and once that's ready, Anne can share with WPTL members.

Play reading will be on March 1 at Fairwood Center. David "See" (?) will do the reading of the one-person play. The library is working with Anne to publicize the event. Once all the advertising materials are ready, Anne can share with WPTL members.

### **Human Rights Day – City of Seattle**

Vanessa waiting for advertisement materials to be finalized in order to share with WPTL. It will be focused on the issue of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and the program sounds very thoughtful and powerful.

**Online Outreach Issues:** create different website tabs for section activities? Or will people not click through? Regina would like to do a member survey to get a better sense of what section resources they like/use. Membership renewal starts in Dec so this could be an interesting time to get members' thoughts/feedback. Randy recently obtained a list of members who've left since 2017 and it would be interesting to reach out to them too about why they left/what could bring them back. Our section name is still unknown and causes a lot of confusion.

**Mentoring Month:** do we want to do another event at UW in January? Vanessa needs a short break from the last CLE. Regina will ask Mickey if she's interested in leading it.

**New Project Idea:** Regina talked to the law student in charge of Environment and Tech Law Review at SU. What if we did a special WPTL issue with them? The student was interested. We would put out the call and the journal board would review and curate the issue highlighting our members' work. This seems to be an issue that gets our members' attention.

**Upcoming Board of Governors meeting on Saturday:** to discuss bylaw amendments (<https://www.wsba.org/about-wsba/who-we-are/WSBA-bylaws>). This includes a change that seems favorable to us since it protects our right to comment/make statements on issues under certain conditions. It does look like we might have to amend our bylaws.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM.**