

**Idaho State Bar
Business and Corporate Law Section
Governing Council**

Minutes—September 11, 2013

Call to Order, Attendance

Chair Michelle Gustavson called the meeting to order at approximately 12:05 PM at the offices of the Idaho State Bar. Council members in attendance were Michelle Gustavson, Brent Wilson, David Hammerquist, Brian Buckham, Kari Campos (via telephone), Wendy Couture, David Jensen, and Paul Boyd.

Financial Update

Brent Wilson reviewed the Section's August 2013 Financial Statement. The Section's current balance is slightly below the cap established by the Bar Commissioners. Brent also stated that the Section's forms for funding requests will be put on the Section's page on the Bar's website. The Section will consider funding requests in October and March of each year.

Monthly CLE's

Michelle provided an update of the currently scheduled CLE speakers and topics planned for Section meetings through May 2014. The Section is still looking for speakers for a three part series beginning in January, which will focus on one aspect of transactional practice. The annual CLE will be held on May 16, 2014.

Northern Idaho Outreach

Section members Megan O'Dowd and Rick Harris will host monthly meetings in Coeur d'Alene at the law firm of Ramsden & Lyons.

Professional Development Series

Michelle discussed the effort by the Section to provide a mentor program to newer attorneys. The focus will be on various professional development presentations beginning in 2014 and to provide learning and networking opportunities.

New Member Outreach

The Section will increase its outreach efforts to recruit new admittees and involve and retain existing Section members. Brian Buckham, Michelle Gustavson, and Wendy Couture will lead this committee.

Website

Brian Hansen will take the lead on renewing the Section's efforts to establish a website. The focus will be on a user friendly website with calendar items, common business transactions forms, and general Section information. The Section hopes to have a website in place by the end of 2013.

The Advocate

Michelle discussed Advocate sponsorship by the Section. There may not be an opportunity for the Section to sponsor and issue until 2015. The Section will continue to work with Dan Black on issue sponsorship.

Washington Bar Corporate Counsel Section – CLE and Networking Opportunity

Michelle discussed an opportunity for Section members to attend a CLE sponsored by the Corporate Counsel and Business Law Section of the Washington State Bar in Spokane on September 20, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:30 PM.

Brent Wilson
Immediate Past Chair