



Section Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 13, 2025 – 5:00 pm MT

Minutes added in **HIGHLIGHTED** TEXT

Present Chad Johnson, Justin Brown, Amanda Ulrich, John Rumel, Douglas Werth, and Samuel Fenton.

Not Present Katie Riley and Michael Bowers.

1. **Approve Minutes** for June Meeting. **Short discussion Amanda moved to approve, second Samuel. Minutes approved.**
2. **Future Section Meetings & Speakers.**
 - a. *Off in July and August*
 - b. Sept 24, 2025 — **Zach Florent (Seattle EEOC) – Chad waiting email response.**
 - c. October 2025 — Steven Blackburn (professionalism award recipient) to present on a Professionalism topic — **Agreed to present, need to follow-up on specific professionalism topic.**
 - d. Other thoughts or developments on Section meeting presenters?
 - i. Follow up on Michael Bowers Free speech rights of public employees Idea. Possible topics: current political environment – immunity, academic freedom – public university, compelled speech (pronoun law). **Not discussed.**
 - ii. Follow up on Sam Fenton’s idea: Whistleblower issues in the medical field (employment context). **Samuel has contacted Ronald Van Wert and awaiting response.**
 - iii. **DEI Topics – Presenter options?**
 - iv. **Federal Government unilaterally canceling Union contracts and military benefits – Presenter options?**
 - v. **Bullying in the Employment Context – Tim Gresback. Hold on contacting.**
 - vi. **New Practice Section: Technology and Practice Management – Possibility for having vendors presenting new technology.**
3. **Election**
 - a. Elections to be held in September 2025.
 - i. Proposed Slate:

Chair: Jon Roundy

Vice Chair: Katie Riley

Secretary/Treasurer: Justin Brown

At-large Members:

_____ (Amanda to reach out to Susan Hunt)

John E. Rumel

Douglas A. Werth

Michael J. Bowers

Amanda E. Ulrich

Samuel J. Fenton

Chad to work with Teresa at the bar to make sure the new slate of candidates will be submitted for approval.

- b. Practice Section New Officer Orientation is September 8-9. **Chair, vice-chair, and secretary/treasurer should plan on attending.**
- 4. New Business - **None**
- 5. Adjourn **at 17:41.**