

MINUTES

Meeting: State Bar of Michigan – Health Care Law Section Council

Date: April 2, 2015

Chair: Jennifer Benedict

Members Present:

Steve Bender	P	Mark Kopson	P
Jennifer Benedict	P	Thomas McGraw	P
Martha Boonstra	P	Josh Moore	E
Mercedes Dordeski	P	Laura Napiewocki	E
Timothy Gutwald	P	Monica Navarro	E
Patrick Haddad	P	Donna O'Connor	P
John Hazewinkel	P	Trish Schabath	P
Cara Jansma	P	Deborah Williamson	P
Matt Keuten	E		

Guests Present: Susan Stokes

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to Order (Jen Benedict)	Jen called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.
Roll Call (Jen Benedict)	See above for members present.
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Jen Benedict)	None.
Review and Approval of Minutes of March 5, 2015 Council Meeting (Cara Jansma)	The minutes of the meeting of March 5, 2015 were unanimously approved.
Treasurer's Report (Tom McGraw)	Tom submitted financial information in advance of the meeting. The financials are through February 2015. Revenue is 1,000 behind last year at this same time. The largest expenses were from the Palace event for the New Lawyers and webinar expenses. There is \$88,000 in the bank account so we are in good shape.
Committee Reports	
Substantive Law Committee Report (Matt Keuten)	<p>Upcoming Webinars:</p> <p>March 23 - HER Incentive Programs: Tips, Traps & Emerging Issues for Meaningful Use. Speaker: Jeff Short, Hall Render</p> <p>April 14 - The PHO Regulatory Environment. Speaker: Alexis Bortniker and Mark Waxman, Foley & Lardner</p> <p>May 19 - 340B topic. Speaker: Marta Hoffman</p> <p>Opiate Webinar being planned for May with Cooley Law Professor who will talk about the Opiate epidemic.</p> <p>Also, still working on the OCR webinar on HIPAA enforcement action.</p>
Publications Committee Report (Mercedes Dordeski)	3 or 4 proposals for white papers on ACA have been received. Final drafts by May. Will upload to the HCLS website. HIPAA Matrix – No update.
Legislative Committee Report (Patrick Haddad)	Senate Bill 68 for Advance Practice Nurses is before the Health Policy Committee. Took testimony in March and has not come out of committee.

Pro Bono Committee Report (Trish Schabath)	April 22 is the date of the education conference on different ways to get involved with the Veteran's Law Clinic at the University of Detroit. Mercy with Peggy Costello. Trish will get email to Susan regarding the conference to send to all the HCLS members.
Fellows Committee Report (Deborah Williamson)	Committee will meet this month to go over nominations. Goal is to have nominations ready for May.
New Lawyers and Law Student Committee Report (Steve Bender)	Completed Lunch and Learns at MSU and Wayne State. Both events were successful. During the events a panel speaks about how they got involved in law and the journey of their careers to the students. The Wayne State Alumni Association Report had a group picture of the Lunch & Learn event in the latest issue. Future Lunch & Learns April 15 – U of M – need 1 more panelist April 22 – University of Detroit May 12 – Cooley Law School (Auburn Hills Campus) If anyone has suggestions for panelist, please contact committee. Law school achievement awards – the work on this is moving forward.
Membership Committee (Tim Gutwald)	3 social events; one on the east side – Tiger's game, west side –Whitcaps game and possibly Happy hour event. Looking for guidance on how many tickets to purchase for Tiger's game. It was decided for this 1 st time doing an event like this; 30 tickets would be ordered. A firm proposal with dates will be given on the next call.
Communicable Diseases and Pandemic Preparedness Ad Hoc Task Force (Cara Jansma)	Devin Schindler, Professor at Thomas Cooley Law School has worked up a 1 st draft of a white paper re: constitutional issues. Cara and Josh need to review and comment on. A conference call will take place to confirm the committee charge and desired product for the section. Then formalize the committee; there are 2-3 others willing to serve and we will work to find a few more. The committee will get with John Hazewinkel to figure out the best way to post white paper to website.
Old Business	
HCLS Appreciation Dinner Recap (Donna O,Connor)	Location was more inviting and celebratory in the Nazareth room on the 2 nd floor at the Inn at St. John's. There was a balcony and dinner was in a separate room. Jen asked for comments on ICLE - the purely networking luncheon was appreciated. There were different topics and speakers this year which gave a new twist and fresh ideas. The keynote on Ebola seemed to work out well, non-lawyer speakers were good.
HCLS Call for Volunteers (Mark Kopson/Martha Boonstra)	See Excel listing with names of volunteers. There were 2 volunteers for every committee except Membership, there was 1 new volunteer. There were still 3 people that have not been placed. All volunteers were people with good skill sets and the committee was very happy with the results. Martha checked with current committee members to see who is staying on and going off each committee. For the next council meeting the committee should have a good idea on how things are going to work out. How many people can serve on one committee? Is there a limit. Jen didn't think there was a limit, but asked Mark to check the by-laws. The committee felt "many hands makes work light," so having more than 3 should be fine.
Annual Meeting – Thursday, September 24 (Jen Benedict)	The Annual Meeting is Thursday, September 24, 2015 at the DAC. Sent an email asking the Fellows to volunteer on the planning committee. 5 responses were received. All the Officers will be involved. Jen asked if anyone else wanted to participate, please let her know.
Adjournment (Jen Benedict)	The meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.
	Next Meeting: Thursday, May 7, 2015 @ 4:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Susan Stokes

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