

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Intellectual Property Law Section Council Meeting

Thursday, April 13, 2017, 9:30 am
Teleconference

1. **Meeting was called to order at 9:50 am**
2. **Attendance:** David Berry, Hope Shovin, Kendra Mattison, Colin Cicotte, Matthew Goska, and Beth Coakley. Aaron Wong, Angela Caligiuri, Mary Margaret O'Donnell, Kim Berger, Tom Appledorn, and Kristin Murphy were not in attendance. Jeff Kirkey from ICLE also joined.
3. **Minutes Approval-** Minutes of the February 9, 2017 and March 13, 2017 meetings were reviewed. David Berry moved to approve, all in favor, minutes were approved.
4. **Reports**
 - A. Financial Report- Kendra Mattison commented on the Section finances. The Section has a balance of approx. \$100k. A five-year review (balance sheet type) review has been prepared and the working group continues to review and refine for budgeting purposes.
 - B. IPLS Proceedings- Colin Cicotte reported that issue went out at the end of February. The next issue is targeted for June timeframe.
5. **Continuing Business**
 - A. Patent Pro Bono Project - David Berry noted that there were no changes to the pro bono program status. World IP Day- April 2017. Beth Coakley proposed that someone from the Pro Bono team participate and this was taken in advisement.
 - B. Working groups- David to send memo to working groups.
 - Annual IP Award (Beth, Kristin) – Beth sent a draft nomination request and will leave open nominations until June 1. Beth Coakley and David Berry discussed with the council the possibility of commissioning a custom tile for the Award. Past Awards have featured a framed Pewabic tile for the recipient. The cost of having a custom tile made would be approximately \$1000 and require a 6-8 week lead time. Will consider for 2018 award.
6. **Old Business-**
 - A. 2017 Program Planning
 - (1) *Spring IP Seminar, Held Monday, March 13, 2017 (Kellogg Center), Lansing, MI.*
 - Lower attendance due to weather and other factors
 - Higher speaker expenses for travel
 - Cost to Section will be about \$13,000.
 - (2) *Intellectual Property IP Institute, July 2017, Mackinac Island.*

There was a review of the final details for the 2017 Summer Seminar, to be held July 20-22, 2017 (Mackinac Island).

(3) *Fall program for Fall 2017:* Discuss at March meeting whether to have because of cost.

- Draft schedule circulated, like 2012 seminar
- Proposing Oct 3 as date
- Same fees to charge (\$70 and \$35) but get rid of cheaper new lawyer and law student. Revenue from 2012 was about \$5000. Expenses around \$19,000. Cost to section was \$14,000.
- ICLE charges \$12,000 fee like past Fall IP seminars and Spring IP.

B. 2018 Program planning

(1) *Intellectual Property IP Institute, September /October 2018*

- Two years on Mackinac Island, one year off. Discussion on where to hold 2018. Boyne and Grand Traverse may be eliminated due to availability. Likely review of Dearborn Inn in Dearborn. Program target to be a full day Thursday and a half day Friday in late September/October.

(2) *Spring IP Seminar, March 2018*

- Current proposal to move to a Thursday in March. Consider closer to Detroit, possible Inn at St. Johns but also other locations in Lansing area.
- David will circulate an email for discussion of options.

7. **New Business-**

- A. Intellectual Property Law Institute (I.P.L.I.)- cross registration at Windsor/Wayne/U of D. Does section want to be involved in course selection and promotion activities, liaison activities to law school? David has asked for any interested to contact him.

8. **Future Meeting Dates:**

The next Council meetings will be held:

- A. May 11, 2017 (teleconference).
- B. June 8, 2017 (teleconference).
- C. July 13, 2017 (if needed)
- D. July 22, 2017 (at Summer IP)

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:34 am.

Respectfully submitted:


Kendra S. Mattison

Secretary