

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Intellectual Property Law Section

Council Meeting

Thursday, August 9, 9:30 am

Via Teleconference

Minutes Approved at September 20, 2018 Meeting

1. **Meeting was called to order by Hope Shovein at 9:35am**
2. **Attendance:** Hope Shovein, Kendra Mattison, Beth Coakley, Tom Appledorn, Kim Berger, Aaron Wong, Colin Cicotte, Mary Margaret O'Donnell, Dan Aleksynas, and Angela Caligiuri. Matt Kendall and Mike Lisi were not present. Attending from ICLE were Jeffrey Kirkey, Barbara Concannon & Jenny.
3. **Minutes Approval.** Minutes for July 12, 2018 meeting were delayed and not considered at this time but would be considered at the next meeting.
4. **Reports**
 - A. **Financial Report.** Beth Coakley reported that the current balance in the IPLS IP account is \$97,414.82. She indicated that this balance was more in line with what we might expect given the recent payments for past events.
 - B. **IPLS Proceedings.** Dan Aleksynas reported that there was no new activity and that Pro Bono work would be announced in future proceedings.
5. **Continuing Business**
 - A. **Patent Pro Bono Project.** Angela Caligiuri reported that there were no new updates since there were no new applicants and they did not have a recent meeting. Hope Shovein again requested that work on Pro Bono issues be included in proceedings whenever possible.
 - B. **New Ideas Committee.** Mary Margaret O'Donnell did not have further update at this time particularly since the purpose of this meeting was to attempt to finalize speakers and event agendas.
6. **New Business**
 - A. **Planning for Upcoming CLE Events:**
 - Spring Seminar – Monday, March 18, 2019 which will be held at Crowne Plaza, West, Lansing. Jeff Kirkey led the discussion and sent another follow up list of issues and a revised schedule. It was concluded that we would tentatively arrange for Leader Dogs for the Blind (LDB) to speak at the lunch hour and on Motion of Lisabeth Coakley seconded by Hope Shovein, the

Committee approved payment of \$2,500 for either a “donation” or as a fee to LDB. If, after October 17, 2018, another speaker becomes more appropriate under the circumstances, for example, the new USPTO Regional Director is appointed and would like to speak at lunch instead of LDB, then on Motion by Hope Shovein and seconded by Kendra Mattison, IPLS will donate the sum of \$2,500 to LDB even though it will not be presenting at lunch.

- IP Law Institute – Thursday, July 18 - Saturday, July 20, 2019 at Mackinac Island. Jeff Kirkey led the discussion and sent another follow up list of issues and a revised schedule.

7. Old Business

- A. Excellence in Intellectual Property Award 2018 – Nominations due August 31 and Beth Coakley noted that one nomination had been received. Hope Shovein indicated she would send another eBlast about the Award.
- B. USPTO PTAB Judicial Conference in Detroit, Monday, July 10. Nothing to report.
- C. Possible Event Co-Sponsored with IT Section re GDPR. Hope Shovein indicated that this issue was still under consideration.
- D. Possible scholarship sponsorships. Mary Margaret O'Donnell to send summaries for discussion after some further research and review of perimeters of donations. Beth Coakley volunteered to speak to Eric Dobrusin, Chair for Michigan Inns of Court, about a possible donation from IPLS to Inns of Court and to report to the Committee once further information was obtained.
- E. E-mail to in-house counsel in IPLS re topics of interest, etc. This was tabled until event scheduling and speakers are finalized.

8. Future Meeting Dates:

September 20 – Thursday- Teleconference

October 11, 2018 –Thursday—In Person Meeting in Lansing

Adjournment

On motion of Hope Shovein and seconded by Kendra Mattison, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45am

Respectfully submitted:


Lisabeth H. Coakley

Secretary