

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Intellectual Property Law Section Council Meeting

Thursday, December 8, 2016, 9:30 am
Teleconference

1. **Meeting was called to order at 9:33.**
2. **Attendance:** David Berry, Hope Shovin, Kendra Mattison, Kim Berger, Aaron Wong, Tom Appledorn, Kristin Murphy, Angela Caligiuri, Beth Coakley, and Colin Cicotte, were in attendance. Mary Margaret O'Donnell and Matthew Goska were not in attendance. Jeff Kirkey and Barbara Concannon from ICLE also joined.
3. **Minutes Approval-** Minutes of the November 10, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Beth Coakley 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, which includes funds earmarked for the Michigan Patent Pro Bono Project. A five-year review (balance sheet type) review has been prepared and the working group will review and refine for budgeting purposes.
 - B. IPLS Proceedings- Colin Cicotte reported that the newest issue was sent this week. Next issue targeted for end of February. Consider call for papers in the next issue and to contact legal writing professors at local universities for student papers related to IP.
5. **Continuing Business**
 - A. Patent Pro Bono Project - David Berry reported that there were no updates for this project.
 - B. Working groups- meetings scheduled for each group by Jan 2017 council meeting.
6. **Old Business-**
 - A. 2017 Program Planning
 - (1) *Spring IP Seminar, Monday, March 13, 2017 (Kellogg Center), Lansing, MI.*

There was an extended and active discussion of potential formats, speakers, and topics for the 2017 Spring Seminar, to be held at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing in March 2016.

 - Registration is open, but final schedule is not posted.
 - Lunch speaker scheduled. Megan M. Carpenter: Disparaging Marks and Non-Traditional Marks, include indigenous marks and the In re TAM case.
 - Deadline to submit materials approx. 4 weeks before seminar.
 - Networking break to include craft beer samples- Jeff to check with State Bar re any additional requirements because we are serving alcohol.
 - Faculty dinner on Sunday, March 12, 2017. Section to pay for alcohol portion of the tab directly.
 - March section meeting will be held at the Seminar- time TBD.
 - (2) *Intellectual Property IP Institute, July 2017, Mackinac Island.*

There was an extended and active discussion of potential formats, speakers, and topics for the 2017 Summer Seminar, to be held July 20-22, 2017 (Mackinac Island). Deadline for finalizing is November 15, 2016.

- Only speaker non-confirmed is Judge Reyna. Concern with reimbursement of transportation.

(3) *Potential Fall program for Fall 2017:* There was a discussion and review of past format, attendance, costs. Will have further discussion at January meeting.

7. New Business- none.

8. Future Meeting Dates:

The next Council meetings will be held:

- A. January 12, 2017 (teleconference).
- B. February 9, 2017 (teleconference).
- C. March 13, 2017 (at Spring Seminar).

On motion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 am.

Respectfully submitted:


Kendra S. Mattison

Secretary