

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Intellectual Property Law Section Council Meeting Minutes Thursday, February 14, 2019, 9:30 am

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order 9:34

A. Attendance: Kendra Mattison, Daniel Aleksynas, Beth Coakley, Michael Lisi, Angela Caligiuri, Matthew Kendall, Kim Berger, Lora Graentzdoerffer, Pervin Taleyarkhan, Mary Margaret O'Donnell, and Aaron Wong. Also attending from ICLE were Jeffrey Kirkey.

B. Not in Attendance: Colin Cicotte

2. Minutes Approval –Beth moved to approve and Kim Seconded.

3. Reports

- A. Financial Report (Dan Aleksynas) – reported we have \$125,000 as of December 2018
- B. *IPLS Proceedings* (Colin Cicotte, Pervin Taleyarkhan and Matt Kendall) – Currently looking for more articles. Have one to publish. Will not publish in February. We are continuing to look for additional articles to publish. Discussion was held on changing to a blog style newsletter because the publication is fully online.

4. Continuing Business

- A. Planning for Upcoming CLE Events:
 - Spring Seminar – Monday, March 18, 2019 (Crowne Plaza Lansing West)
 - IPLS emails week of Feb 18 and week of March 11 – currently have 34 people signed up. Continuing to advertise to gain more participation. We have contacted the Michigan Law schools to get more participation. Discussion was held around reducing the price for law professors to gain more involvement.
 - 877-229-4350 – is the toll free number to register for the Spring Seminar. A motion was made by Kendra to lower the price to \$25 for law professors. The motion passed. If the law professors call the 1877 number they can get the lower price. Jeff is looking into ways to provide a code to unlock the \$25 price which he will circulate.
 - IP Law Institute – Thursday, July 18 - Saturday, July 20, 2019 (Mackinac)
 - 10 people are currently registered.
- B. Patent Pro Bono Project (Angela Caligiuri) – Discussed the changes in leadership. A motion was made by Dan and Beth seconded and the motion was approved to

pay the malpractice insurance for the IP Section. Next year we should put this expense in the consent agenda.

- C. Copyright event on February 21, 2019- update – We are continuing to advertise this event. Dan to speak with Eric of Inn of Court to determine the cost of this event for IPLS. Clarification will be coming on when the event we are sponsoring. The main event will be from 2-6 where the acting register will present. Kendra called for a vote to approve \$2500 to sponsor the copyright office event, which was approved by the board.

5. Old Business

- A. Possible scholarship sponsorships (Mary Margaret) -Matt Kendall gave an update on possibilities of setting up a scholarship. Mary Margaret and Matt are continuing to look into setting up a scholarship. Jeff to provide information from the state bar regarding scholarships.
- B. Status on recognition for Kate Spelman – will be complete in the next week or two.
- C. E-mail to in-house counsel in IPLS re topics of interest, etc. (Beth to prepare list, MM to draft inquiry) - Mary Margaret is circulating a draft in the next week to send to in-house counsel. Lora and Kendra to review content of the letter.
- D. Brainstorming/ New Ideas Committee (Mary Margaret, Angela, Matt, Dan, Colin) – nothing new to report.
- E. Joint meeting with IT Section (Mike and Matt) – Matt indicated they are looking into lunch and learn in April or June.

6. New Business

- A. Communications Committee- nothing new to report

7. Future Meeting Dates:

- A. March 18, 2019 at Lansing – meeting will occur at the spring seminar. Motion was made to approve hotel costs for the spring seminar when an employer will not approve the expense. Beth moved to approve and Dan seconded. The motion was passed.
- B. April 11, 2019 Telecon
- C. May 9, 2019 Telecon

8. Adjournment – Kendra adjourned the meeting at 10:37