

State Bar of Michigan

Intellectual Property Law Section Special Council Meeting

October 3, 2014
By Teleconference

Attendance: Karl Ondersma, Kristen Spano, Steve Hansen, Hope Shovein, Sharon Brady, Gene Rath, Tamara Clark, and Stephanie Stenberg (ICLE).

Not in attendance: David Berry, Kendra Mattison, Chad Kleinheksel, Beth Coakley, and Kristin Murphy

Kristen Spano acted as Secretary for the meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m.

A special council meeting was called to discuss two open issues with respect to the Fall Institute to be held at the Westin Book Cadillac in Detroit:

Institute Program Schedule

The council discussed two options for the Institute schedule: 1.5 days or 2 shortened days. Stephanie Stenberg noted that ICLE's preference is for the 2 shortened days to keep content and provide networking opportunities.

The council noted that the most significant issue between the two schedule options is that the second schedule provides more time for additional sessions beyond the core update sessions and adds a second lunch.

Following discussion, Kristen Spano moved that the Council direct ICLE to move forward with the 1.5 day (Full day on Thursday and ½ day on Friday) schedule for the Fall Institute (Hope Shovein seconded). The motion passed without opposition.

Sponsorship

ICLE has requested that the Section cover the cost of two lunches and the Thursday evening reception if the costs are not covered by sponsorships. The section has had a similar arrangement regarding the costs of the receptions at the Summer Institute. (Note that only one lunch will be provided for the 1.5 day schedule.) ICLE has agreed that the financial responsibility of the Section for these costs would be capped at \$7,500.

The Women's Breakfast was also discussed. Stephanie Stenberg will check with the Book Cadillac about a breakout room during breakfast. She also mentioned that we should consider moving it to a lunch based on attendance at similar events and similar 1.5 day conferences.

Following discussion, Karl Ondersma moved to have the Section cover the cost of the lunch and reception to the extent the costs are not covered by sponsorships, but that such costs shall not exceed \$7,500. (Kristen Spano seconded). The motion and the motion passed without opposition.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

David C. Berry
Secretary