

Minutes

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW SECTION COUNCIL

August 8, 2011

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**Members in Attendance** - Darcie Brault, Bradley Glazier, George Wirth, Timothy Howlett, Larry Murphy, Joseph Starr, Jeffrey Steele, Ron Robinson, Susan Hiser, Megan Norris, Dennis Boren, Brian Koncius, Robert Boonin.

Absent -- Richard Mack, Robert Palmer, Jeffrey Donahue and Niraj Ganatra.

Also in Attendance -- Stephanie Stenburg

1. Approval of Agenda -- Agenda approved.
2. Approval of Minutes -- June Meeting
  - i. Moved, George Wirth, support Brian Koncius, minutes approved.
3. Treasurer's Report -- Rob Boonin gave the Treasurer's Report. Rob estimated that we added approximately \$12,000 to \$14,000 to the ending fund balance this year.
4. Chair's Report -- Darcie Brault recognized the contributions of Joe Starr, Megan Norris and Bob Palmer whose terms are expiring. Darcie also discussed the status of the proposed by-law changes that will be presented at the Annual Meeting in September.
5. ICLE Seminar -- Stephanie Stenburg was in attendance -- she presented a draft schedule for the 2012 Annual Institute. Stephanie reported that next year's Institute will be one and a half day days rather than two days. Stephanie also stated that ICLE was looking for ideas for their Top Tips program and was evaluating whether to repeat the new lawyers program at next year's Annual Institute.
6. Nominations Committee -- Darcie reported that the Committee consisting of Dan Bretz, Chair, Kathy Vandagens and Jim Moore met with the current officers and that the Nominations Committee makes the following nominations: Gary Francis, management; Gloria Hage, management; and John Runyan, union; for new members and Dan Swanson, plaintiff, for Treasurer.
7. Annual Meeting -- Tim Howlett reported on the program and Ron Robinson reported on the food and beverages.
8. Bernard Gottfried Memorial Labor Law Symposium Program. The Council was reminded that the program is scheduled for October 13th. Dennis Boren asked whether the Council would be willing to provide airfare for one of the speakers, if necessary.

9. 2012 Mid Winter Meeting --The Committee will consist of Jeff Steele, Rob Boonin and Darcie Brault. The DAC has been reserved. The program is scheduled for January 20 and 21, 2012.
10. Law Notes -- There was discussion that the Council will get input from Stuart on the need for succession planning.
11. Next Meeting -- the next meeting will be September 15th. at 1:30 p.m. at the Dearborn Hyatt.

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