

Minutes

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW SECTION COUNCIL

January 10, 2011

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Members in Attendance - Darcie Brault, Susan Hiser, Brian Koncius, Robert Boonin, Bradley Glazier, George Wirth, Ron Robinson, Jeffrey Donahue, Niraj Ganatra, Timothy Howlett, Dennis Boren, Lawrence Murphy.

Absent -- Jeffrey Steele, Megan Norris, Joseph Starr, Robert Palmer, Richard Mack.

1. Approval of Agenda -- Agenda approved.
2. Approval of Minutes -- December Meeting
 - i. Moved, Hiser, second Koncius, minutes approved.
3. Treasurer's Report -- Rob Boonin delivered the Treasurer's Report. Rob reported that the dues revenues were down \$1,050 from a year ago which would reflect 30 fewer members.
4. Chair's Report -- Darcie Brault delivered the Chair's Report. She reported that seven new lawyers had signed up for the ICLE seminar. George Wirth will seek clarification as to the arrangement with ICLE as to new members.

Addendum and correction to the December minutes: George confirmed with ICLE that the first fifty (50) new lawyers can register for the Institute for \$50.00.

5. Annual Meeting -- the Committee for the annual meeting will be Larry Murphy, Brad Glazier, Ron Robinson and Tim Howlett. Rob Boonin suggested including new federal judges and magistrates in the program.
6. Holiday Party -- Darcie Brault reported that the holiday party made \$356.59. She suggested that we change the format for next year because of the difficulty in obtaining speakers for the Moth.
7. Mid-Winter Meeting Report -- George Wirth reported that the speaker for Friday night is all set. Larry Murphy reported that Dave Khorey will introduce Tom Barnes on Friday night.
8. Spring Board -- the Committee is Susan Hiser, Brian Koncius, and Megan Norris. Susan and Brian reported that they are contacting people for the Planning Committee and that an initial meeting will be held on January 21st at the DAC.

9. Proposed West Side Event -- Brad Glazier, Larry Murphy and Jeff Donahue will serve as the Committee on this event. They will talk to the Grand Rapids Bar Association Labor & Employment Committee regarding co-sponsoring an event. There was discussion that the event might be held in April.
10. Law Notes -- Nothing reported.
11. Old Business -- There was discussion of membership issues. Dennis Borin raised the issue of non-voting members. Darcie Brault indicated that would be considered by the Membership Committee and that it would involve an amendment to the by-laws.
12. Next Meeting -- the next meeting is February 7, 2011 in Novi.

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