

**September 8, 2008**  
**Labor and Employment Law Section Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:00 p.m. at the offices of Butzel Long in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

**In Attendance:** David Calzone, Dan Bretz, Jeff Donahue, Darcie Brault, George Wirth, Timothy Howlett, Kathryn VanDagens, Dennis Boren, Dan Swanson, Stuart Israel, Joseph Starr and Michael Lee.

**Absent:** Sue Ellen Eisenberg, Shel Stark, Andrew Nickelhoff, Larry Murphy, Robert Palmer Megan Norris, Robert Boonin and Eric Pelton

1. **Approval of Agenda.** The Agenda was approved.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** Tim suggested adding the subcommittee's name dealing with distributing the Section's free pass to the ICLE seminar to the June minutes. With that correction, Tim moved and Dennis seconded approval of the Minutes. The Minutes were approved.
3. **Treasurer's Report.** Darcie provided the Treasurer's report. Additionally, she discussed the costs of the annual and mid-winter meetings and Lawnotes. Stuart provided a detailed analysis of the costs of Lawnotes, stating if Lawnotes went totally as an electronic publication, there would only be a savings of \$18,000 of the \$40,000 that is presently spent.
4. **Chair's Report.**
  - a. **Nominating Committee-**

David reported the committee, comprised of David Khorey, Sam Morgan and John Runyon, recommended the following:

    - Larry and Dennis to fill the rest of their terms.
    - Rob Boonin to a new term
    - Brad Glazier-plaintiff representative
    - Niraj Ganatra-union representative
    - Barry Goldman-neutral
    - George Wirth-Treasurer.

David recognized Kathy VanDagens as retiring from the Council. David also recognized Michael Lee as retiring from the Council as Past Chair. Tim moved, seconded by Dan, to accept the nominating committee recommendations. The motion was approved.

**b. Community Legal Resources Funding Request-**

The Council discussed the request for a \$5,000 donation. George Wirth moved to decline making a donation as it is not related to the business of the Section. This motion was seconded by Michael Lee and all approved.

**c. Proposed Bylaw Change-**David discussed the proposed Bylaw change was published in the August 2008 Bar Journal. This matter will be considered by the members of the Section at the Annual Meeting in September.

5. **Annual Meeting and Joint Program with ADR Section.** Jeff provided the subcommittee's progress on the program with the ADR section.
6. **Mid-Winter Meeting.** The Council decided based on the lack of a dues increase prior to the Meeting, the budget for the Meeting would be set at \$37,500. Additionally, the Council decided the speaker should be in the range of \$7,500 or less. Darcie will be pursuing Hart to see if he is within our budget.
7. **ICLE.** David reported Shel did a proposed list of topics and speakers and conducted his meeting.
8. **Lawnnotes.** No other report.
9. **Old Business.** None.
10. **New Business.** Dennis reminded the Council of the Gottfried Seminar on October 16.
11. **Next Meeting Date and Location:** October 13, 2008, noon at Clark Hill.
12. **Adjourn.**

Dated: September 8, 2008

Jeffrey S. Donahue, Secretary

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