

Elder Law and Disability Rights Section Meeting minutes

October 4, 2012 Crystal Mountain Resort Thompsonville, Michigan

Present in person: Caroline Dellenbusch*, Rosemary Buhl*, Christopher Smith*, Beth Swagman*, Michael Mestelle*, Christine Caswell, J. David Kerr ("David") *, Brad Vauter*, Jim Steward*, Patrick Bond*, John Payne *, Paul Sturgul*, Kelly Quardokus*, Art Malisow*, Ellen Hoeskra (Capitol Services), Dolores Coulter, Sandy Mall, and the rest.....

*Indicates voting council members.

1. Annual Meeting began at 8 am. Welcome made by Caroline Dellenbusch, with summary of past year's activities. Conference committee was thanked for a successful conference.
2. Legislative Update (For complete analysis of the legislation, and other activity reported on, please see October 2012 Legislative Report prepared by Capitol Services)
3. Elections—
 - a. Slate of candidates was presented by nominating committee, consisting of Past Chair-Paul Sturgul, Chair, Caroline Dellenbusch, and Chair-Elect-Brad Vauter:
 1. Officers proposed:
 2. Bradley Vauter, Elder Law of Michigan, Inc, Lansing MI – Chair
 3. Rosemary Buhl, Law Office of Rosemary Howley Buhl, PC, East Lansing MI – Vice Chair
 4. Patrick Bond, Bond Estate Planning & Elder Law, P.C., St. Clair Shores MI - Secretary
 5. John Payne, Garrison Lawhouse PC, Dearborn MI – Treasurer
 6. Caroline Dellenbusch, Caroline Dellenbusch PLC, Grand Rapids, MI – Past Chair
 7. Councilmembers proposed:
 - a. William Lucius, Paul Sturgul Law Office, Hurley WI – three year term
 - b. Jane Bassett, Bassett & Associates, PLLC, Ann Arbor MI – three year term
 - c. Christine Caswell, Caswell Law PLLC, Lansing MI – three year term

- d. Erma Thomas, Neighborhood Legal Services
Michigan Elder Law and Advocacy Center, Redford
MI – three year term
 - b. Vote was held, and passed as presented.
- 4. Newly elected chair, Brad Vauter thanked Caroline Dellenbusch for her efforts as chair and presented a tentative schedule for 2012-2013. Next meeting will be November 3, 2012 In Grand Rapids at the Office of Caroline Dellenbusch.
- 5. Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Respectfully submitted by Rosemary H. Buhl