

August 20, 2019 – 3pm

Warner Norcross & Judd – Lansing Office

Call in number is 877-352-9775

Conf code is 3639218813#

Call to Order – Bob – 3:05PM

Roll Call (+ indicates present)

Council

Hendricks+

Arnold+

Morris+

Jocuns+

Block+

Komorn (not present)

Loker+

Fraser+

Grow+

Abel+

Lavigne+

Additional Attendees:

Jeff Kirkey

Approval of Agenda – Unanimously approved

Approval of Minutes from June 25, 2019 - Tabled

Treasurer report - Current Balance - \$40,591.22 (as of July 31, 2019). 550 paid members

OLD BUSINESS

2019 Annual Conference Grand Rapids – Bob/Matt/ICLE – 70 registrations as of 8-20-19. \$17,000 collected in registration income. 6 sponsors confirmed for an additional \$13,500.

Fraser moved for Section to cover conference registration for Council members whose registrations would not otherwise be covered as a speaker. Grow seconded. Unanimously passed.

2021 annual conference planning – Firekeepers – They have sent over a proposal based on the numbers from the first year’s conference.

Jamaica 2020 MLS Trip – Matt

Nominations Committee Report – Bob

-Nominees to replace Lisa Dwyer:

1. Roma Thurin
2. Erika Marzorati
3. Catherine Kaufman

Moved to offer position first to Roma, then to Erika, then to Catherine based on acceptance by Jocuns. Seconded by Grow. Unanimously approved.

-Nominees for Council Spots that are expiring:

-Nominate existing council members for those spots

NEW BUSINESS

MRA Social Equity Program – Bob – See Attached memo. MLS to invite Social Equity Team to come to MLS Council Meeting on Sept 24 at 3pm. Bob will reach out to them to attend our next Council Meeting

Some ideas discussed

- Discussions on ways to help – Mentorship
- Scholarships for attorneys assisting social equity applicants
- Sponsorship Table at October Conference
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Awards at October 2019 Conference – Recognize Attorneys who assisted the Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol as Trailblazers

Section Dues – Bernie. Dues are going to be increased to \$75 based on Council vote from last year.

Michigan Coalition for Impartial Justice – Whether MLS should take a position and join attached memo – Bob/John – Fraser moves to have MLS support the coalition by including its name on the coalition. Arnold seconded. Motion passes 6-3.

Fraser moved to adjourn at 4:51PM. Motion passed unanimously.