

**State Bar of Michigan  
Marijuana Law Section  
Council Meeting  
February 25, 2016**

**Agenda**

The meeting was called to order at 1:56 p.m.

Those participating were Bernard Jocuns, Robert Hendricks, Dan Grow, Mary Chartier, Bruce Block, and Barton Morris.

Excused absences were Robert Hinojosa and Karl Numinen.

**MOTION** made and passed unanimously to approve the minutes.

**1. Ethics committee status**

Robert Hendricks will contact Victoria Vuletich about joining the section and co-chairing the Ethics Committee with Robert.

**MOTION** made and passed unanimously to appoint Victoria Vuletich pending her joining the section.

**MOTION** made and passed unanimously to appoint Robert Hendricks as co-chairperson.

Robert will draft a strategy for proposing solutions to ethics issues to be discussed at the April meeting.

**2. Publications committee status**

Michael Komorn and Troy Daniel will serve as the co-chairs of the Publications Committee. Matthew Roman will serve as the Editor of the MLS Journal.

**MOTION** made and passed unanimously to appoint.

**3. Social media**

**MOTION** made and passed unanimously to direct the co-chairs of the Social Media committee to create a Twitter page. Dan Grow abstained from voting.

Michael will contact Allen about the creation of the Twitter account.

Mary will contact the SBM about making the section events page public, as well as putting committee chairs under the Council tab.

#### **4. Legislation**

There was a discussion about pending legislation, including roadside testing.

Mary will contact Doug Mains about sending a letter to legislators to let them know about our section and to contact us when information and testimony is needed.

Bernie will contact Doug Mains to determine what legislation is pending and to provide an overview.

#### **5. Educational and training ideas, locations, and dates for 2016**

The date for the conference is the weekend of October 21, and Paul Armentano has been slated as a speaker.

There will be a reception on Thursday night, sessions on Friday night, and Saturday for a half-day session.

The conference title is *Marijuana: What Every Lawyer Needs to Know*.

Mary will send out “save the date” announcements to the Bar Journal and Legal News, and Bernie, Mary, and council members will work with publicizing the event nationally. Mary will contact Bruce Leach about sponsorships. Michael and Dan will work on finding keynote speakers.

Other speakers to be invited are Ken Stecker, Denise Pollicella, and other topics include cultivation, family law, and more.

At least one person from the SBM will be working at the registration table during the conference.

#### **6. MLS Committees – Goals and Objectives**

The MLS committees were discussed, and ideas and goals for the committees were brainstormed. Some topics were as follows:

##### **Membership**

Bruce – send proposals for the year and then what does he need to do it.

##### **Social Media and Technology**

Future events will be posted on Facebook. Also, Allen must be certain that Stephanie has access to posting as well as Allen.

##### **Rules and Lawmaking**

Information on legislation and by May the MLS will start to take positions – we want to be a voice that legislators want to hear from.

##### **Social Media**

Podcasts

**Education**

Speaker's Bureau

**Young Lawyers and Law Students/Memberships**

Mentorship program

Reaching out to law students and young lawyers through schools and bar associations, law school groups, ACLU, SBM YLS

**7. Other business**

Relevant committee chairs will be invited to call in to the council meetings to provide updates.

**MOTION** made and passed unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Adjournment at 5:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/MARY CHARTIER

Mary Chartier, Alane & Chartier, P.L.C., Secretary/Treasurer