

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE**  
**INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY LAW SECTION**

**September 19, 2013 in Lansing, Michigan**

**Attendance**

Lauretta Pominville	Kathleen Lopilato
Deb Hebert	Hal O. Carroll
Larry Bennett	Jerome Rock
Catherine Heise	Joe Sadler
Doug Young	Mark Cooper
Sarah Wohlford	Ron Sangster
Lisa DeMoss	Steve Gabel
Augustine Igwe	Carrie Kennedy
Elaine Pohl	Kimberly Ruppel
Patrick Crandell	Steven A. Hicks
Joseph Garcia	Dyck Van Koevering
Donald McCann	Chuck Fedewa
Dan Steele	Donald Jones

- I. Call to Order at 10:02 by Section Chair Ms. Pohl
- II. Chair Report – Ms. Pohl
  - a. Steady growth of the Section
  - b. Publication of the Journal continues.
  - c. 2 year and 5 year strategic plans are in place.
  - d. Committees
    1. Program - chaired by Ms. Lopilato;
    2. Strategic Planning – chaired by Mr. Kutinsky;
    3. Publications – chaired by Mr. Carroll
    4. Young Lawyers Summit in June, 2013 – four Section members attended and assisted;
    5. Bar Leadership events
    6. Joint program under consideration with the ADR Section.

- e. Plans for Next Year
  - 1. Section chair orientation at the State Bar;
  - 2. 11/19/2013 Council meeting, with a pre-holiday reception and program;
  - 3. New List-Serve for members
  - 4. Section searchable membership data base, with an October launch.

Mr. Carroll reported on early neutral evaluation/early ADR efforts that he has been coordinating with Mr. Cooper, which is a good fit with the new business courts. He also reported on compiling a roster of neutrals, and use of a searchable directory within the bar and the courts, which would identify services offered and different areas of expertise.

III. Treasurer's Report

- a. The section has approximately \$29,000 in its account

IV. Election of Officers and Council Members

- a. Ms. Pohl acknowledged the services of Ms. Hebert and Mr. Steele to the Council during their terms, which are now concluded.
- b. Two candidates for election to the Council were introduced: Mr. Doug Young and Mr. Josh Turbelow.
- c. Motion to elect a slate of officers: moved by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Pominville. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Motion to elect new councilmembers: moved by Mr. Sangster, seconded by Ms. Ruppel; Motion carried unanimously.

- V. Motion to adjourn business meeting: moved by Ms. Lopilato, seconded by Ms. Hebert; motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Heise (substituting for Mr. Kutinsky)

