

American Indian Law Section  
July 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes  
12:00 pm ET

**Conference call number: See Microsoft Teams information**

**Welcome – Roll Call**

Lauren called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM.

- a. Present:
  - a. Voting Members: Amy Wesaw, Lauren Mulhern, Jennifer Saeckl, Anna Bruty (by proxy to Jennifer Saeckl), Sarah Zlotnicki, Nazune Menka, Jessica Scutt, Judge Tina Yost Johnson.
  - b. Non-Voting Members:
- b. Absent:
  - a. Voting Members: Katrina Kapture, Nazune Menka, Erika Weiss, Tanya Wanageshik, Jacqueline Hand
  - b. Non-Voting Members: Stanette Amy (ex officio), Cami Fraser (ex officio), Stacey Rock (Law Student Advisor), Peter Schinkai (Law Student Advisor)

**Approval of Meeting Minutes (6/21/22)**

Amy moved to approve minutes, Judge Tina seconded. Motion passed (8 for, 0 against, 0 abstain).

**Approval of Agenda**

Amy moved to approve the agenda, Judge Tina seconded. Motion passed (8 for, 0 against, 0 abstain).

**I. Unfinished Business:**

- A. Updates from Committees –
  - a. Advocacy and Education Committee (John Morseau and Stacey Rock)
    - i. Graduation Regalia Issue
      - 1. No updates.
  - b. Communication and Membership Engagement Committee (Jen Saeckl and Erika Weiss)
    - i. No updates.
    - ii. Amy asked if the scholarships have been awarded, Lauren confirmed that they have.
- B. Annual Meeting – September 9, 2022
  - a. Schedule.

- i. Lauren sent a draft schedule and asked for thoughts. Amy said she thinks it looks good and we should start advertising.
- b. Speaker/Topic Ideas and Update
  - i. Expungement Panel –
    - a. Judge Lincoln agreed to do overview, 4 other panelists.
  - ii. HB 5706 – MI cannabis legislation
    - a. President Gravelle is planning to attend virtually
- c. Honorariums
  - i. Need to increase honorarium because there are now 5 panelists.
  - ii. Amy made a motion to increase the honorarium amount from \$400 to \$450. Jessica seconded. Motion passed (6 for, 0 against, 2 abstained).
- d. Travel Costs
  - i. Don't need to pay for any hotel costs
- e. Tecumseh Peacekeeping Award
  - i. Lauren says we still have not received any nominations. Amy suggested deadline of August 5.
  - ii. Lauren moved to set the maximum amount for the blanket and trophy at \$350. Amy seconded. Motion passed (8 for, 0 against, 0 abstain).
- C. 2023 AILS/MSU ILPC Annual Conference.
  - a. Lauren sent a follow up, but she is waiting to hear back from Winona Singel.

## **II. New Business**

- A. Judge Tina Yost Johnson discussed the proposed court rules to change the way judges are assigned to cases. Rules would require the judges to meet training requirements before being assigned particular cases. Recommendations and drafts are coming soon. Judge Tina will be presenting them to the Section for review, feedback, and comment.

## **III. General Updates**

- A. Jenn reminded everyone to start thinking about nominations for board members.

Motion to adjourn by Amy, seconded by Jenn. Motion passed (8 for, 0 against, 0 abstain).

Meeting adjourned 12:40 PM.

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