

American Indian Law Section  
October 11, 2023 Meeting  
12:05 p.m.

1. Roll Call – Call to Order 10/11/23 at 12:05pm

a. Present:

Stacey Rock  
Peter Schinkai  
Sarah Zlotnicki  
Kathryn Petersen  
Tina Yost Johnson  
Katrina Kapture  
Kaitlin Gant by proxy (SZ)  
Yasmeen Farran by proxy (SZ)

2. Unfinished Business

a. Approval of September 19, 2023 annual meeting minutes: Motion made by Tina Yost Johnson and Seconded by Sarah Zlotnicki. (Approved 7-0-0)

b. Approval of Agenda for October 11, 2023 Meeting: Motion made by Peter Schinkai and Seconded by Tina Yost Johnson. (Approved 7-0-0)

c. Updates from Committees

i. Advocacy and education committee

1. Upcoming bills regarding natives and native students

a. Stacey Rock has someone that can come speak on those and how to advocate for the passage of those bills

ii. Communication and Membership Engagement Committee

1. Potential vacancy on the committee, Jen Saeckl and Erica Weiss are no longer e-board members. We need to make sure that they are still interested in serving in this role.

2. Peter Schinkai and Sarah Zlotnicki are interested in joining committee if necessary.

3. A post will be made to the discussion page on AILS section asking for volunteers.

d. Bar Scholarship

i. Publish and update new deadline for before our January meeting to give students adequate time, deadline Jan.5. and will vote on recipient

ii. Amount of scholarship will be the same, room within the budget

iii. Reach out to turtle talk, law schools, education boards and other resources to share the scholarship information.

iv. Stacey Rock asks for council to approve bar scholarship change to bi-annual and amend scholarship description to be presented next meeting for

vote: Motion made by Tina Yost Johnson and seconded by Sarah Zlotnicki. (Approved 7-0-0)

- e. Law Student Advisor
  - i. Raise awareness and reach out to anyone who might be interested.
  - ii. Discussion was had regarding requiring a letter of interest and resume. Thoughts were that this was a good idea to ask for these.
  - iii. Reach out at TICA conference to identify individuals that may be interested in serving.
- 3. New Business
  - a. Reimbursements
    - i. Sarah Zlotnicki is satisfied and has been refunded for her costs from the annual meeting.
  - b. Annual Meeting planning group
    - i. Establish a group -better sooner rather than later.
    - ii. Sarah Zlotnicki and Kathryn Petersen have volunteered to start group – start with work plan.
- 4. General Updates
  - a. Do more within the section – newsletters, articles in the bar journal, and other ways to participate in the State Bar community
  - b. Tina Yost Johnson asked when something does come up in between meetings, what's the process we want to establish to get something together and give an opinion or response?
    - i. Cannot be inconsistent with what SBM
    - ii. Has to be published within 10 days

Motion by Tina Yost Johnson and seconded by Peter Schinkai to adjourn at 12:26pm (Approved 7-0-0).