

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
COMPUTER LAW SECTION**

COUNCIL

November 9, 2005
6:00 p.m.

Brooks & Kushman P.C.
1000 Town Center
Twenty-Second Floor
Southfield, Michigan 48075

Council Members Present

Benedettini , Dante
Bisdorf, Jeremy
Iacobelli, Thomas M.
Jakubowski, Matthew M.
Malven, Mark
Paulson, Kimberly A. – **Secretary**
Raine, Paul J. – **Chair**
Schwartz, Jerome M.
Tatum, John L.
Tupper , Stephen L. – **Chair-Elect**
Wehr, Mary Ann

Council Members Not Present

Bieneman, Charles
Crawford, Donald M.
Falkowski, Christopher J. – **Treasurer**
Jordan, Lawrence R.
Manildi, Marta A.
Raphelson, Jeffrey G.
Ziulkowski, Janet M.

Other Section Members Present

Buser, John
Nabozny, Ron
Schuchman, Fred
Syrowik, David R.
Targan, Anthony
Tartt, Tyrone C.
Vlasic, Jim

1. Call to Order
 - (a) Chairperson Paul Raine called the meeting to order.
2. Presentation
 - (a) Phillip Bertolini, Deputy County Executive and Chief Information Officer for Oakland County, gave a presentation on the "Wireless Oakland" project.
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - (a) Minutes from the Annual Meeting were distributed but will not be approved until the next Annual Meeting. Minutes from the previous council meeting were approved at the Annual Meeting.
4. Chair's Comments
 - (a) Mr. Raine wants the council to do a better job of using the list-serves and other technology to communicate and take care of council business instead of waiting until the next meeting.
 - (b) Mr. Raine raised the issue of how to get people involved in the section and keep them involved.
 - (c) Mr. Raine announced that from now on the Chair-Elect will be the go-to person for the section's list-serve and web page. Mr. Tupper will fill that role this year.
 - (1) A discussion of the list-serve ensued.
5. Treasurer's Report
 - (a) Mr. Falkowski was absent but forwarded his proposed budget for distribution.
 - (b) Mr. Raine commented that Mr. Falkowski was still working on the budget and suggested that the council vote on the proposed budget via list-serve after Mr. Falkowski completed it and submitted it to everyone.
6. Annual Meeting
 - (a) Mr. Raine informed the council that the venue where the section's Annual Meeting is held, the Links of Pinewood, has been sold and that the section must find a new location.
 - (b) Mr. Raine raised the possibility of the section hosting a third big annual event. It was suggested that the section collaborate with another group to sponsor the event.
 - (1) Mr. Tatum raised the possibility of hosting a seminar regarding electronic discovery. A discussion of this idea ensued.
 - (2) Paul suggested that the topic be discussed via e-mail and list-serve.
7. Survey
 - (a) Mr. Targan noted that he intends to author an article for an upcoming section newsletter that summarizes the findings of the survey.

- (b) Ms. Paulson asked if it would be possible to follow up with survey respondents with supplemental questions, and Mr. Targan said it was a possibility.

8. Goals and Objectives

- (a) Mr. Bisdorf asked if the section had a set of articulated goals and objectives.
 - (1) Mr. Raine stated that the section should have better articulated goals and objectives and that he would work on them.

9. Committee Reports

- (a) Edward F. Langs Writing Award: Mr. Raine noted that no papers were submitted last year because none of the council members taught a computer law class. However, he explained that he and Ms. Paulson would be teaching a computer law class next semester, which should produce papers for the competition.
- (b) Newsletter: Mr. Jakubowski reported that the newsletter was going well and that he intend to continue publishing this year at about the same frequency as last year. He noted that he will start running out of material soon, though, and welcomes any articles anyone wants to submit.
- (c) Proprietary Rights: Mr. Syrowik discussed a potential topic for the committee to work on this year.
- (d) Spring Networking Event: Ms. Paulson explained that the happy hour at the Hard Rock Café was successful and that she plans to make the Spring Event a happy hour again next year. She said that the Hard Rock Café was a suitable venue but asked for comments as to whether the event should be held there again next year or should be moved to a new location each year. She also reported that Anthony Targan has committed to help her out again next year.
- (e) Communications Committee: This committee is looking for a person to serve as chair.
- (f) Publicity Committee: This committee is looking for a person to serve as chair.

10. Adjournment

- (a) **Motion: that the council adjourn.
Mr. Raine moved. Mr. Tatum seconded.
MOTION CARRIED**