

**State Bar of Michigan
Information Technology Law Section**

Council Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2009 @ 5:30 p.m.

Jaffe, Raitt, Heuer & Weiss, P.C., Southfield

- I. Call to order and comments from Chairperson:** Jeremy Bisdorf took roll. Nine Council members were in attendance.

Council Members Present: Jeremy Bisdorf, Charlie Bieneman, Mark Malven, Bill Lamping, Karl Hochkammer, Will Cosnowski, John Tatum, Jeanne Dunk (by phone), and Dave Syrowik.

- II. Discussion/Approval of Previous Minutes from 4/29/2009 meeting** - Mark Malven had previously circulated the meeting minutes for review. Motion and second to approve. Motion was unanimously approved.

III. Officer Reports

A. Chair's Report: Jeremy Bisdorf reported on a meeting with other Section chairs and a meeting with an ICLE representative. Jeremy also noted the opportunity to use the section's List-serv for general announcements such as job opportunities.

B. Treasurer's Report: Karl Hockhammer presented the 2009-2010 budget.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Annual Meeting: Mark Malven briefly summarized the annual meeting.

B. Membership: Jeremy Bisdorf reported on Mary Ann Wehr's trip to a student event at Cooley and thanked Mary Ann for her effort. Jeremy also reported that Cooley sent a thank-you letter,

C. Programming: Charles Bieneman gave a brief report on the fall seminar held in October at the St. John's Inn in Plymouth. There was a discussion of whether the seminar should be a full-day event, and how to get more people to join the section when attending the seminar. There was also a discussion of whether the seminar should be done in conjunction with another section.

D. Section Liaison: Jeremy Bisdorf mentioned a state bar report providing demographic data concerning various state bar sections.

E. Contracts Committee: It was noted that the contracts committee has been abolished. There was an informal vote to not pursue the contracts committee at this time.

F. Proprietary rights: Dave Syrowik will chair this committee again, and plans to produce a report to be published in an upcoming newsletter.

G. Writing award: Dave Syrowik will chair this committee again. There was a discussion of how to publicize the writing award, and how to obtain papers.

H. Publicity Committee: Kim Paulson mentioned that Paul Raine had suggested a brochure. The council agreed to adjust spring networking line item down \$1,000 and reallocate these funds to brochure printing.

V. New Business

A. Discussion of House Bill No. 5468 and any further actions to be taken by Council relating to this Bill: Jeremy noted that it is possible to have council take a position on a bill, and then have a section-wide meeting to have a vote so the section can take a position. Jeremy has asked Ron Nixon to chair a committee and Ron agreed to get position paper to the council within 30 days. The council voted unanimously to approve committee. Members are Ron Nixon, Steve Tupper, and Mark Malven.

B. Annual Meeting: Will Cosnowski suggested mixing the annual meeting with the fall seminar. This idea was adopted. Mark Malven will chair the annual meeting again and will work with seminar committee.

C. Spring Section Event: Anthony Targan gave a report on this year's event and discussed ideas for next year's event. Anthony will chair the committee again. Members will be Jeremy Bisdorf, John Tatum, Anne Marie Schaub.

VI. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm