

**State Bar of Michigan  
Information Technology Law Section  
Council Meeting Minutes**

October 24, 2019  
Teleconference Meeting at 6:00 PM  
Call-In Number **877-352-9775**, Conference Code **416 957 1129**

- I. Call to Order – M. Gallo called the meeting to order at 6:03.  
**Council Members Participating:** Keith Cheresko, Kellie DeMeritt, Michael Gallo, Karl Hochkammer, Katherine Kelley, Michael McCandlish, Kathryn Ossian, Adam Rubin, Joellen Shortley, Elizabeth Storm, Jeanne Whalen  
  
**Council Members Absent:** Onika Celestine, Christopher Falkowski, George Kimball, Clifford Lanning, Daniel Ungar
- II. Meeting Minutes
  - a. The September 12, 2019 Council meeting minutes were approved with corrections. K. Cheresko moved to approve, M. McCandlish seconded, approved unanimously.
  - b. The September 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes were reviewed and corrected. M. Gallo will post them on the Section’s web site, in anticipation of approval at the September 2020 Annual Meeting.
- III. Review and Confirmation of Council Membership
  - a. The current list of council members, as it appears on the SBM website was reviewed and confirmed by the meeting attendees.
- IV. Treasurer’s Report
  - a. M. Gallo presented an unaudited 2018-2019 income statement.
  - b. M. Gallo presented a draft Budget for 2019-2020. Council recommended to include \$600 for privacy committee expenses and \$1,500 for an annual networking event.
  - c. J. Shortley moved, K. Ossian seconded, and the Council voted unanimously to approve the budget with the recommended changes.
  - d. Council agreed that the budget would remain unchanged for the fiscal year. If additional activities require funding that is not accounted for in the budget, Council can review and approve them. The expenses would be recorded in financial reports where they may result in overspent line items.
- V. 2019-2020 Council/Section Meetings – M. Gallo presented the proposed dates listed below for council/section meetings for the coming year. Dates are subject to change and additional meetings are possible. The *Annual Information Technology Law Seminar* date is, however, firm.
  - a. **Thursday, October 24, 2019**, 6:00 PM Meeting – Teleconference Only
  - b. **Thursday, January 9, 2020**, 5:30 PM Networking/6:00 PM Meeting – Host: Adam Rubin, Shift Digital, 248.433.2299, [arubin@shiftdigital.com](mailto:arubin@shiftdigital.com), 348 E Maple Rd, Birmingham, MI 48009
  - c. **Thursday, April 2, 2020**, 5:30 PM Networking/6:00 PM Meeting – Host: TBD. May be a social event with a presentation.
  - d. **Thursday, July 9, 2020**, 5:30 PM Networking/6:00 PM Meeting – Host: Michael McCandlish, Bejin Bieneman PLC
  - e. **Thursday, September 10, 2020**, Lunch at the *13<sup>th</sup> Annual Information Technology Law Seminar!*
    - i. M. Gallo has reserved space for this event at the Inn of St. Johns.
- VI. Committee Reports
  - a. 2019 IT Law Seminar – M. Gallo
    - i. Survey results
      1. M. Gallo will distribute the survey results.

- ii. K. Kelley, J. Shortley, K. DeMeritt, K. Cheresko, E. Storm, and M. Gallo volunteered to participate in team to review feedback from 2019 IT Law Seminar, document tasks and target dates for the 2020 IT Law Seminar and select a moderator, speakers and topics.
  - b. Section Membership – M. Gallo presented the following membership numbers for the section, as of October 2019:
    - i. Section Members – 522
    - ii. LinkedIn Group Members – 234
    - iii. ListServe Email Addresses – 787
      - 1. M. Gallo will investigate discrepancy between number of section members and number of listserve addresses.
  - c. Newsletters/social media/web site
    - i. Newsletters for 2019-2020
      - 1. goal is to publish one newsletter approximately four weeks after each section meeting.
      - 2. E. Storm agreed to continue her work on the newsletter. D. Ungar was assigned in absentia to continue his work on the newsletter (subject, of course, to Dan’s agreement).
      - 3. Content is needed for the newsletters. Newsletter will include message from chair, dates of upcoming section meetings, privacy team meetings, etc.
  - d. Bylaws
    - i. Robert Rothman (although he is no longer on Council) and M. McCandlish agreed to continue work on revising the by-laws. K. Hochkammer agreed to join this team. M. Gallo proposes that C. Falkowski also join the team (requires confirmation from Chris).
    - ii. M. Gallo proposes target to complete first draft by Jan. 9, 2020.
  - e. Spring Networking Event (April 2020)
    - i. Joint event with Intellectual Property Law Section
    - ii. Held at Cooley Law School
    - iii. J. Shortley, K. Kelley, E. Storm, M. McCandlish volunteered to organize this event.
  - f. Nominating Committee – Treasurer and Council nominations. Maintaining fully staffed council.
    - i. J. Shortley, K. Ossian and K. Hochkammer will work on this committee.
  - g. Privacy Committee
    - i. The privacy committee is considering a possible joint session with the International Law section addressing the intersection of immigration law and data protection/privacy as it relates to the need for personal information in the process. Location is TBD (trying to get space at Wayne State law school). Date is tentatively 11/20/2019.
    - ii. Next quarterly meeting is scheduled for December 4.
  - h. New Business
    - i. Council discussed potentially providing marketing support for a spring event of the Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports (ACES) Law Section. Council will consider this further at a future meeting.

VII. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm. E. Storm moved to adjourn, J. Whalen seconded, unanimously approved.