

Workers' Compensation Section Council-State Bar of Michigan  
Minutes of the meeting of the Council of November 1, 2019

***The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Andrea Hamm***

Attendees: Andrea Hamm, Rosa Bava, Jayson Chizick, Phil Frame, Dan Zolkowski, Sam Larrabee, Jessica Stark, John Combs, Jeff Kirschner, Rick Lovernick, Dan Hebert, Darryl Royal and Sean Shearer

Report of the Secretary: The secretary presented the minutes of the meeting of October 4, 2019  
Bava ***moved*** to approve the minutes of the meeting.  
Larrabee ***seconded*** the motion.  
***Motion passed unanimously***

Report of the Treasurer: The treasurer advised that the council is doing well financially and that all necessary documentation has been presented to the State Bar. The winter meeting will be at the Inn of St. John's on 12/6/19, and include a full hot breakfast. Council discussed the expenses of the winter meeting. Due are set to come in by 11/30/19.

Report of the Director: Deferred

Report of the Chief Magistrate: Deferred

Report of the Appellate Commission Chair: Chair Royal advised of the appointments of Commissioner Ries and Commissioner McMillan, and that the commissioners are in their third week of work as a full commission. Motions are being reviewed and new rules are being addressed. Chair Royal welcomed comments and suggestions for appellate rules. There are presently 50 pending appeals.

Newsletter: Mr. Zolkowski advised that he was diligently working on securing the articles needed to complete the newsletter.

Legislative Update: No discussion

Annual Meeting: Chairperson Hamm confirmed the annual meeting will be held June 18-19, 2020. Council concurred with the move. Chairperson Hamm indicated that work was ongoing to secure a quote from the Embassy Suites in Grand Rapids. During the annual meeting, Mr. Don Ducey will be the inaugural recipient of the Donald Ducey Civility Award. 50-year pins will be circulated at the annual meeting, and Ms. Bava will be obtaining a list of members from the state bar.

Bar Journal: Selections have been made regarding articles. Evaluation of SSD/WC angle article is being completed. We are looking at a January 2021 publication, so articles will be needed by August.

New Business: None

Adjournment: Zolkowski ***moved*** council adjourn the meeting.  
Frame ***seconded*** the motion.  
***Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.***

