

**NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS COMMITTEE**  
*March 6, 2015*

**1. Next Scheduled Meeting of the Committee.**

The Committee scheduled a meeting for March 3 that was rescheduled due to weather to March 10 at 4:30 pm, at the offices of Jaffe, Raitt, Heuer & Weiss, PC in Southfield (and by conference call). The Committee will discuss educational programming, the new Form 1023 EZ and the amendments to the Nonprofit Corporation Act.

**2. Council Approval.**

None.

**3. Membership.**

The Committee has added several new members to its roster by personal contact and word-of-mouth. Anyone wishing to join should contact one of the co-chairs.

**4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives.**

**A. Educational Programs:**

In 2014, the Committee incorporated an educational component into each of its meetings, presented a program on updates in the law to its members in conjunction with the Business Law Section meeting, and presented twice at the Business Law Institute Business Bootcamp.

In addition to integrating an educational component into each Committee meeting, the Committee will discuss educational programming for 2015 at its upcoming meeting.

The Committee provided a speaker for the Michigan Humane Society annual meeting.

**B. Legislation:**

The amendments to the Nonprofit Corporation Act and the related amendments to the statute on dissolution of charitable purpose corporations and the LLC Act, which were SB 623, SB 624 and SB 929 of the 2013-2014 legislative session, received final approval by the Michigan House and Senate on December 18. They were signed by the Governor on January 10 as 2014 Public Acts 557, 558 and 559 of 2014 and took effect on January 15. Copies of the bills (which show the changes) and the

Public Acts (which do not) are available on the Michigan Legislature's website. The Committee would like to thank Committee member Mark Lezotte, Senator Michael Kowall, his aide Dave Biswas and Joe Palamara of Karoub Associates for their assistance in passage of the bills.

**5. Meetings and Programs.**

Please see Item 1 and Paragraph A of Item 4.

**6. Publications.**

Members of the Committee will submit 5 articles for the Summer issue of the Michigan Business Law Journal. Topics include benefit corporations, healthcare compliance, the amendments to the Nonprofit Corporation Act, cybersecurity, and tax and governance aspects of social enterprise structures.

**7. Methods of Monitoring Legislative/Judicial/Administrative Developments and Recommended Action**

The Committee Co-chair has established a legislative alert for both state and federal legislation affecting nonprofit and tax-exempt corporations.

**8. Miscellaneous.**

At its upcoming meeting, the Committee will discuss distribution of an electronic survey to members regarding Committee objectives, programming, and eliciting volunteer interest.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jane Forbes and Jennifer Miller Oertel, Co-chairs**