

**NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS COMMITTEE  
CO-CHAIRS: JENNIFER OERTEL AND CELESTE ARDUINO**

**REPORT PREPARED FOR THE MARCH 7, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING**

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

Next scheduled meeting of the Committee: March 18, 2019

**2. Council Approval**

None.

**3. Membership**

In 2018, the Committee took steps to “right size” its membership roster given that the same list had been used for several years and many of the names were no longer active. The Committee continually seeks new members who are interested in being active, contributing members of the Committee. In March 2019, Co-Chair Celeste Arduino will participate in a panel discussion with Wayne Law students and other members of the Business Law Section to encourage students’ interest in the Business Law Section and, hopefully, the Nonprofit Corporations Committee.

**4. Accomplishments Toward Committee Objectives**

To encourage dialogue and shared knowledge among Committee members, a ListServ has been established. Although participation on the ListServ has been minimal to date, the Co-Chairs intend to take steps to boost participation and encourage regular interaction among members.

**5. Meetings and Programs**

The Committee meets roughly 3-4 times per year, both in-person and by conference call. This schedule, the timing and location of our meetings stems from the preferences of Committee membership expressed through a survey conducted a few years ago. There have been attempts to hold a Committee meeting in the Grand Rapids area, but there was not projected to be sufficient in-person attendance to justify the meeting location. The Co-Chairs continue to explore ways to boost in-person attendance at meetings in the Detroit area and elsewhere in our state.

**6. Publications**

The Co-Chairs regularly email Committee members to inform them of conferences and seminars that may be of interest, including an audio

conference hosted by the Council of Michigan Foundations and conferences hosted by the TEGE National Council.

**7. Legislative/Judicial/Administrative Developments**

The Co-Chairs have legislative alerts established to keep on top of new developments, and alert Committee members via email or at a Committee meeting of new developments of interest. The Co-Chairs have compiled a list of matters to be addressed in the next round of amendments to the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act.

**8. Miscellaneous**

None.