

MINUTES

Meeting: State Bar of Michigan – Health Care Law Section Council

Date: May 7, 2020

Chair: Mercedes Dordeski

Members Present:

Reesa Benkoff	P	Christian Schafer	P
Aaron Beresh	P	Jeff Schroder	A
Martha Boonstra	P	Sheerin Siddique	P
Mercedes Dordeski	P	Colleen Simek	E
Becky Glitman	P	Patricia Stamler	P
Eric Klein	E	Nicole Stratton	P
Andrea Lee	P	Louis Szura	P
Kevin Miserez	A	Deborah Williamson	P
Laura Napiewocki	P	Rose Willis	A
Leslie Rojas	P		

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to Order (Mercedes Dordeski)	Mercedes called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.
Roll Call (Mercedes Dordeski & Susan Stokes)	See above.
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Mercedes Dordeski)	None.
Review and Approval of Minutes from April 2, 2020 (Mercedes Dordeski)	The April 2, 2020 Minutes were approved as submitted.
Treasurer's Report (Nicole Stratton)	For the month ending March 31, 2020, there was \$100 received from dues for Income. There were four Expenses as follows, \$734.76 for the cancellation of the Appreciation Dinner held during the ICLE conference, plus \$41.02 for the "Treats for Tweets" that is done during the ICLE Conference. There was a charge of \$171.72 for conference calls and the webinar service through LogMeIn. Lastly, there was a \$430.40 charge for credit card fees that is charged by the SBM for processing the fees for Membership Dues and the Annual Meeting. There was a total of \$1,377.90 in expenses for March. The ending fund balance for March is \$73,010.60 which is up by \$5,000 over last year.
Committee Reports	
Legislative Committee Report (Jeff Schroder)	No report.
Substantive Law Committee Report (Reesa Benkoff)	<p>The committee did a "call for speakers" for specific COVID-19 topics. Several submissions were received one for telemedicine and the CARES Act. The webinars were held on April 13 and May 6 respectively.</p> <p>April 13, 2020 – Telemedicine in the COVID-19 Pandemic: What has Changed and What has Not? The speakers for the webinar were Kathrin Kudner, Kathleen Reed and Serj Mooradian from Dykema's Health Care Group. 94 people registered for the webinar and 78 attended.</p> <p>May 6, 2020 – Cares Act & Healthcare Provider Relief Programs: Are There Strings Attached to 'No Strings Attached' Money? The speakers were as follows: Debra Geroux, Shareholder, Butzel Long's Bloomfield Hills office, Mark Lezotte, Shareholder, Butzel Long's Detroit office, Laurie Horvath, CPA, MBA Healthcare and Not-for-profit Practice Leader, Baker Tilly, Michael Wascura, CPA, Assurance Senior Manager, Baker Tilly Alicia Caldwell, CPA, MBA, Healthcare and Not-for-profit Practice Senior Manager, Baker Tilly. 104 registered and 85 attended the webinar.</p>

	<p>There was also a webinar on April 29, 2020 - "<i>What you Don't Know Can Hurt You: Hot Topics in Employment Law.</i>" The speaker was, Courtney Nichols, she is the Co-Leader of the Labor and Employment Law Practice Group at Plunkett Cooney. 94 people registered for the webinar and 65 attended the webinar. The webinar received excellent reviews.</p> <p>There is a webinar being planned for June 4th on program Integrity Rules. The speaker will be Gerald Aben from Dykema.</p>
Publications Committee Report (Becky Glitman)	<p>The committee has been very busy updating a COVID-19 webpage on the Section website with resources from HCLS member law firms.</p> <p>The committee also did a "call for authors" for COVID-19 related topics. The committee has received submissions for a CARES Act topic, Telemedicine issues, and Surrogate and Emergency Consents. All 3 publications will be about 10 pages and the committee requested a draft be submitted by the end of May with publication dates being in June.</p> <p>The committee has also received a 1st draft on Nursing Care Facility Closures and the goal is a publication date in the early summer.</p> <p>The committee has been brainstorming ideas for COVID-19 resources for the HCLS members, if Council members have ideas, please contact Becky.</p>
Pro Bono Committee Report (Aaron Beresh)	<p>The committee is working on setting up a meeting with the MCR folks to begin planning the October workshop for non-profits. A detailed update will be given next month after the initial meeting.</p>
Fellow Committee Report (Martha Boonstra)	<p>The committee has a virtual meeting scheduled for mid-May. The April meeting did not take place because schedules were very busy. The committee has received 6-7 nominations, but Martha is not sure if there will be 5 candidates for this year. Mercedes suggested that another email asking for nominations be sent seeing that the committee has not met yet made their decisions. Action Item: Susan will send out a final email to all the members asking for nominations by May 15th.</p>
New Lawyers and Law Student Committee Report (Mercedes gave an update for Kevin Miserez)	<p>Mercedes gave an update that the following schools have been contacted and the committee has set the following dates for Lunch & Learn events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooley Law School – March 10th – Rose and Kevin attended • Wayne State University – Virtual event – the event was well attended and the attendees were engaged. • University of Michigan – Didn't happen because of COVID-19 • Michigan State University – March 18 panel was Deb Williamson, Jennifer Kildea Dewane, Melissa Reitz and Nicole Stratton • University of Detroit Mercy – April 7 (virtual event) Kevin & Sheerin & Louis attended <p>Discussion took place regarding scholarships and if the committee has received any scholarship submissions. Action Item: Mercedes will contact Kevin to get an update.</p>
Membership Committee Report (Andrea Lee reported by email)	<p>The committee is in a holding pattern because of the pandemic. The goal is to attend a Tigers game, but at this time you can't really plan ahead. There is a possibility the committee could plan a virtual event. Mercedes suggested that the membership committee could possibly help with planning a virtual "Legislative Day". Action Item: Andrea will contact Jeff regarding planning the virtual "Legislative Day."</p>
Annual Meeting Planning Committee Volunteers needed	<p>A "thank you" goes out to Eric Klein, Collen Simek, and Jeff Schroder for volunteering to help plan the annual meeting. Next month, the Council will have to discuss what forum will be used for the annual meeting. Discussion took place regarding the possibility of doing a virtual event. U of M has had several virtual events. Andrea has been on one that had a networking portion with virtual rooms.</p>
Adjournment/Next Meeting (Mercedes Dordeski)	<p>The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m. The next Council meeting will be on June 4, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m.</p>