

MINUTES

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

Date: December 5, 2019

Chair: Mercedes Dordeski

Members Present:

Reesa Benkoff	P	Jeff Schroder	P
Aaron Beresh	A	Sheerin Siddique	P
Martha Boonstra	E	Colleen Simek	P
Mercedes Dordeski	P	Patricia Stamler	E
Becky Glitman	P	Nicole Stratton	P
Eric Klein	P	Louis Szura	P
Andrea Lee	P	Dustin Wachler – joined for the start of the call	P
Laura Napiewocki	E	Deborah Williamson	P
Leslie Rojas	E	Rose Willis	P
Christian Schafer	E		

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to Order (Mercedes Dordeski)	Mercedes called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.
Roll Call (Mercedes Dordeski & Susan Stokes)	See above.
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Mercedes Dordeski)	None.
Review and Approval of Minutes from November 7, 2019 (Rose Willis)	The November 7, 2019 Minutes were approved with the change that Deborah Williamson was excused from the November 7 th meeting. Deborah had sent an email to Susan that she was tied up with a client and was not able to attend. Susan forgot to update the minutes.
Treasurer's Report (Nicole Stratton, report given by Susan Stokes)	There is no official report from the State Bar of Michigan. Becky Weaver did send a preliminary report. For the month of October \$22,601 was received in revenue which is \$7,125 greater than the prior year. Nicole attributed the uptick in registrations to the website being fixed. Last year the Section members were not able to sign up on the website because of a glitch in the registration system. That has now been corrected.
Committee Reports	
Legislative Committee Report (Jeff Schroder)	The committee discussed last month about having Deidre Wilson as a speaker at the September 17, 2019 Annual Meeting. Deidre Wilson agreed to speak. The committee is working on planning a Legislative Day, for possibly May or June.
Substantive Law Committee Report (Leslie Rojas)	There are 4 webinars currently being planned as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No-fault Insurance – December 4, 2019 – moved to January; the speakers needed more time to prepare 2. Surprise Billing – December 11, 2019 3. FDA Expert from Boston – January 23, 2020 4. Employment Law – February March – no webinar because of ICLE. Discussion took place on how much advanced notice is needed in planning a webinar? The topics are discussed in early fall. There is a template that needs to be completed by the speakers that include providing a bio, picture, topic, description of program, takeaways and signing a release form. Once all the paperwork is received the webinar can be set up in GoToWebinar. Susan has found that if the members receive the announcement for the webinar at least 4 weeks before the webinar, the sections gets the best attendance. Therefore, it would be ideal to get the paperwork from the speakers 6

	<p>weeks before the webinar. For the No-fault webinar the speakers needed more time to prepare so the webinar was moved to January.</p>
<p>Publications Committee Report (Becky Glitman)</p>	<p>A) The committee is working to publish the publications from the 2018-19 year. The following publications are being worked on:</p> <p>1) Opioid prescribing in Michigan Impact on Clinical Care (new rules) the committee is working on the final read through. The committee is hoping to get this published in the next few weeks.</p> <p>2) Payment Contracting Provider Appeals (McLaren/McLaren Health Plan) The committee has received a rough draft. The committee extended the deadline to mid-January in hopes that the paper can be published in late January.</p> <p>The goal is to publish 4 papers for 2020. A Telemedicine Update – Monica Navarro was the original author and was approached to update the paper. She is not able to but, Marc Vezina has agreed to update the paper. The goal is to publish the paper sometime in February. There will be 3 “call for authors” sent out next week. The topics are as follows: 1) Behavioral Health, 2) Scope of Practice Delegation NPS, Nurse Anesthetists and lower level licensure, and 3) Healthcare Facility Closure Rules in Michigan. The goal is late spring to mid-summer for publication of the 3 papers.</p> <p>Action Item: The committee will send the “call for authors” to Susan next week. Susan will send out the “call for authors” in mid-December and the 2nd week of January.</p>
<p>Pro Bono Committee Report (Aaron Beresh; Susan gave the update)</p>	<p>Michigan Community Resources (MCR) has contacted the Health Care Law Section to let the Section know that they are the recipient of the MCR's Pro Bono Partner Brick Award. The Brick Award honors pro bono partners who have meaningfully contributed to the MCR's mission of building strong nonprofits. Matthew Keuten and Aaron Beresh were invited as Former and Current Chairs of the HCLS Pro Bono Committee. They will be receiving the award at the Rent Party which will be held at Co.act Detroit (6568 Woodward Avenue) on Thursday, December 12th at 5:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Fellow Committee Report (Martha Boonstra)</p>	<p>No report. The duties of the Fellows Committee officially start in January.</p>
<p>New Lawyers and Law Student Committee Report (Deborah Williamson)</p>	<p>Deborah Williamson has agreed to step up and get the ball rolling for the committee. She has been on the committee in the past and was willing to get things started until the status of the Committee Chair is finalized.</p> <p>The Committee is in need of members. What normally happens is that a member of the committee works with each school and sets up a Lunch & Learn in the February/March timeframe and coordinates the scholarship so that each school submits a winner for the \$1,500 scholarship. The committee is in need of members. 4 people volunteered during the call.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sheerin Siddique – University of Detroit Mercy School of Law 2. Nicole Stratton – Michigan State University College of Law 3. Louis Szura – University of Michigan Law School 4. Rose Willis – will help where needed 5. Mercedes Dordesi – Wayne State University Law School 6. Deb Williamson – Western Michigan University <p>Action Item: Deb will follow up with an email to the volunteers to confirm the schools they will be working with. A phone call of all the members may be needed, but this could all be handled by email too.</p>

Membership Committee Report (Andrea Lee reported by email)	<p>The committee has picked the date in January of Wednesday, January 22nd for the Pistons game. This event has been done for several years now and has been highly successful. The suite package for the game offers 18 tickets with the option to purchase 10 additional tickets and includes some food. The Suite is \$3,500 + \$800-\$1,000 for food.</p> <p><u>Motion: The Membership Committee is seeking up to \$4,500 to purchase a suite at the Pistons game and to purchase food for the attendees. The Motion was unanimously approved.</u></p>
Old Business	
ICLE Conference Sponsor (Mercedes Dordeski)	<p>Mercedes contacted Jennifer Colagiovanni at ICLE, she coordinates the Health Law Institute (HLI). Jennifer indicated the HCLS would get more exposure if they increased their sponsorship from Silver (\$1,500) to Gold (\$5,500 - \$5,000) or Platinum (\$6,000). Discussion took place that the conference is for Health Care Lawyers so not sure if spending more money would be of value to the Section. Louis did some research as to what other Sections do for their ICLE Conference. The Employment Law Section did increase their commitment from Silver to Gold the other sponsors did not. Also, the majority of the speakers at the HLI are HCLS members. It was decided that Mercedes could suggest as an idea to ICLE that they reach out to the individual law firms and health systems to be sponsors of the conference.</p> <p>Discussion took place regarding putting the stickers on the name tags. If the attendee has a sticker, they are not a member and the HCLS members could reach out to this person and point out the value of the HCLS and possibly joining the Section.</p> <p><u>Motion: For the 2020 ICLE Health Law Institute the Health Care Law Section will sponsor at the Silver (\$1,500) level. The Motion was unanimously approved.</u></p>
Scholarships for law students and government attorneys for the HLI (Mercedes Dordeski)	<p>Discussion took place as to if a government employee would be allowed to take the scholarship. Mercedes contacted Leslie Wizner and she felt in was an interesting idea and she is checking with the ethics advisors to see if this would be advisable. This business is being tabled until the January meeting.</p>
New Business	
Vote on Council Member (Mercedes Dordeski)	Tabled until January.
January 2 nd Council Meeting date (Mercedes Dordeski)	<p>Discussion took place that the next Council meeting was the day after New Years and some of the Council may still be on vacation. The committee members all agreed that moving the date to January 9th would be better for everyone.</p>
Adjournment/Next Meeting (Mercedes Dordeski)	<p>The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. The next Council meeting will be on January 9, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m.</p>