

MINUTES

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

Date: February 3, 2022

Chair: Nicole Stratton

Members Present:

Reesa Benkoff	P	Leslie Rojas-Whitworth	P
Aaron Beresh	E	Sheerin Siddique	P
Colleen Clarkson	P	Jenna Simon	E
Becky Glitman	P	Patricia Stamler	E
Timothy Gutwald	P	Nicole Stratton	P
Cara Jansma	A	Deborah Williamson	P
Matthew Keuten	P	Ashley Weiner	P
Eric Klein	P	Rose Willis	P
Andrea Lee Linna	E		
Kevin Miserez	A		
Laura Napiewocki	P		
Agenda Item	Discussion		
Call to Order (Nicole Stratton)	Nicole called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.		
Roll Call (Susan Stokes)	See above.		
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Nicole Stratton)	None.		
Review and Approval of Minutes from January 6, 2022 (Colleen Clarkson)	The January 6, 2022 Minutes were approved as submitted.		
Treasurer's Report (Nicole Stratton)	Nicole discussed the November ending balance on the Income Statement and that the Council has a good amount in the savings account. Susan contacted the SBM twice and did not receive a response regarding the Section making a donation.		
Committee Reports			
Legislative Committee Report (Ashley Weiner)	The committee will host a webinar on Thursday, April 7 @ 6:30 p.m. The speakers will be as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Representative Republican - Graham FillerRepresentative Democrat - Angela WitwerDominick Pallone, Executive Director, Michigan Association of Health Plans (MAHP) <u>Topics of discussion for webinar</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Guardianship BillAuto No-Fault InsuranceSurprise BillingMental Health Changes Action Item; Ashley Weiner will work on completing the speaker template with the speakers and forward the information to Susan Stokes so an announcement and registration form can be emailed to the HCLS members.		
Substantive Law Committee Report (Reesa Benkoff)	A Vaccine Mandates for Health Care Facilities webinar took place on February 2 nd . The Speakers were as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Meghan VerMerris, Senior Counsel, Spectrum Health		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jon Rabin, Health Care Employment Attorney and Litigator, Hall, Render, Killian, Heath & Lyman's <p>54 people attend the webinar and 84 registered. Action Item: Susan Stokes will provide the results of the survey to Ressa Benkoff so a synopsis of the program can be given at the next Council meeting.</p> <p>An Information Blocking webinar will take place on January 24th with Liza Brooks from Hall Render as the speaker.</p> <p>Alan Rogalski of Warner Norcross Judd will present on the new proposed pharmacy regulations. A date has not been determined, at this time.</p> <p>Due to the ICLE Health Law Institute being canceled and no on-demand sessions this year. ICLE agreed to allow the HCLS to contact some of their speakers.</p> <p>Reesa Benkoff and Eric Klein have reached out to Gerald Griffith regarding a Federal Regulations update and Larry Horvath, LARA and Amy Barkholz, MHA to do a State Regulatory Update for March.</p> <p>Reesa also reached out to U.S. Attorney, Andrew Hull, U.S. Attorney's Office – Grand Rapids, to give an Update on Fraud & Abuse for April or May.</p>
Publications Committee Report (Becky Glitman)	<p>No report from Publication Committee.</p> <p>Laura Napiewocki gave an update on the Communicable Diseases & Pandemic Preparedness Ad Hoc Task Force - The committee is meeting every few weeks and currently setting up a structure for creating a Pandemic Matrix which will give a roadmap for guidance. The committee consists of people from Henry Ford Health System, Spectrum Health, and the University of Michigan Health System. The committee will open up and allow other experts to look at the matrix and offer suggestions. There is a goal of trying to have something to present to the other experts by summer.</p>
Pro Bono Committee Report (Aaron Beresh)	No report.
Fellow Committee Report (Timothy Gutwald)	The committee will be meeting the beginning of next month to work on getting nominations. A 'Call for Fellow Nominations' will be sent to the HCLS members in March.
New Lawyers and Law Student Committee Report (Kevin Miserez)	<p>The committee is working to arrange the following Lunch & Learns virtual meetings for March. The dates are as follows:</p> <p>University of Detroit Mercy School of Law School - March 16, 2022 @ 1 p.m.</p> <p>Wayne State University Law School - March 28, 2022 @12:15 p.m.</p> <p>Nicole asked if there were any Council members willing to be speakers during the above virtual meetings. Eric Klein, Deborah Williamson, Rose Willis, Sheerin Siddique, and Laura Napiewocki agreed to be speakers.</p>
Membership Committee Report (Jenna Simon)	The committee is working on an event for spring per an email Susan Stokes received.
Old Business	
Membership Fee – Section agreed to revisit the members price increase in 2017 from \$35 - \$45. Would members like to change the membership fee?	<p>It was discussed that the Section has a large amount of money at this time so because of that a decrease in dues from \$45 to \$35 would not be detrimental to the Section.</p> <p><u>Motion: To decrease the Health Care Law Section dues from \$45 to \$35 starting with the October 2022 - September 2023 year. Motion: Unanimously Approved.</u></p>

Adjournment/Next Meeting (Nicole Stratton)	The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m. The next Council meeting will be on March 3, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m.
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