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

Date: January 5, 2017

Chair: Timothy Gutwald

Members Present:

Martha Boonstra	E	Trish Schabath	P
Mercedes Dordeski	P	Sheerin Siddique	E
Timothy Gutwald	P	Nicole Stratton	P
Patrick Haddad	P	Louis Szura	P
John Hazewinkel	A		
Cara Jansma	P		
Matthew Keuten	P		
Mark Kopson	P		
Josh Moore	P		

Guests Present:

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to Order (Timothy Gutwald)	Tim called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.
Roll Call (Timothy Gutwald)	See above.
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Timothy Gutwald)	None.
Review and Approval of Minutes of December 1, 2016 Council Meeting (Patrick Haddad)	The minutes of the Council's December 1, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.
Treasurer's Report (Josh Moore)	<p>The financials appear to be in order.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fund balance is currently \$79,000. As of November 30, 2016, the fund balance decreased by \$1,800. In comparing fiscal year financials from 2016 and 2015, revenue dropped by \$2,000 in 2016. The section collected \$1,000 less in dues in 2016. Additionally, \$5,000 was allocated to student scholarships in 2016 whereas no money was allocated to student scholarships in 2015. The section's fund balance has been trending down. The fund balance was \$90,000 five (5) years ago. This is likely the result of decisions made by the Council in response to the membership. The Council agreed several years ago to have more networking events at no charge or low cost at the request of the membership. Josh contacted the State Bar of Michigan to compare our fund balance to other sections. Action Item: Josh will contact the State Bar of Michigan to determine how other sections allocate their funds.
Technology Report (John Hazewinkel)	No report.

Committee Reports

Legislative Committee Report (Patrick Haddad)	<p>There was a significant amount of legislative and rulemaking activity at the end of 2016.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery passed new rules. Among other things, the new rules revised the authority of clinical nurse practitioners and nurse midwives to prescribe controlled substances as a delegated act of a supervising physician.
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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Senate Bill 1104 – Medical malpractice/damages Senate Bill 753 – Telehealth House Bill 5533 – Physician’s assistants scope of practice House Bill 4598 – Midwives licensure House Bill 5400 – Advanced Practice Registered Nurses scope of practice including prescriptive authority <p>Action Item: Pat will send out a synopsis of the end-of-year activity to the Council members.</p>
Substantive Law Committee Report (Nicole Stratton)	<p>The committee has compiled a calendar of upcoming webinars.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 10 – MACRA January 31 – Telemedicine: Risk and Risk Analysis (this topic will be presented by University of Michigan attorneys) February – Medical Marijuana March – ICLE (no webinars) April-June Webinars TBD
Publications Committee Report (Louis Szura)	<p>The “Call for Authors” email went out on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. There has been a fairly good response thus far. The committee is requesting articles for three (3) topics.</p>
Pro Bono Committee Report (Trish Schabath)	<p>The next training class for the Veteran’s Law Clinic at University of Detroit Mercy will be on Sunday, January 15, 2017. Action Item: (1) Trish will send Susan an announcement to be emailed to the membership regarding training. (2) Peggy is compiling a list of trained HCLS volunteers. Trish does not have an exact number of HCLS volunteers. (3) Trish is developing additional partnerships in an effort to provide HCLS members with other volunteer options. She is interested in getting involved with the Cancer Patient Support Clinic at Wayne State University. This clinic helps cancer patients obtain leave from work. It also helps cancer patients with insurance issues.</p>
Fellows Committee Report (Martha Boonstra)	<p>No report.</p>
New Lawyers and Law Students Committee Report (Matthew Keuten)	<p>The committee has reached out to all Michigan law schools about scheduling Lunch & Learns and providing information about scholarship awards. If other Council members can help with the Lunch & Learn panels, please contact Matt. The social event this year will be fowling and will take place in April.</p>
Membership Committee Report (Cara Jansma)	<p>The committee has compiled a list of social events.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Pistons Game – Oakland County. The game is Wednesday, January 18, 2017. Action Item: (1) Please let Susan know if you would like to attend. (2) Post about the event on Twitter. (3) Council members should personally reach out to colleagues. Griffins Hockey Game – Grand Rapids. The game is Friday, February 24, 2017. Warner Norcross is allowing the HCLS to use their box. Action Item: The section needs to pay for tickets plus food and beverages. Trivia Night – Lansing Tigers Game – Detroit Ann Arbor Event – TBD <p>Motion: To approve spending \$1,865 for Griffins tickets plus food and beverages. The motion was unanimously approved.</p>
Old Business	
Annual Meeting Location (Tim Gutwald)	<p>The survey results for the Annual Meeting location were as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Weber’s Inn, Ann Arbor (1); The Henry, Dearborn (5); and Detroit Athletic Club, Detroit (7) <p>The September 14, 2017 date is no longer available. The Council decided September 12, 2017 will be the date of the Annual Meeting.</p> <p>Action Item: Susan will contract with the Detroit Athletic Club for September 12, 2017.</p>

New Business	
Senn Delaney – The Culture-Shaping Firm (Cara Jansma)	Discussion took place about hosting a 1 or 2-day session. The Council decided it will not pursue this event.
Matters for Next Agenda (Tim Gutwald)	None.
Adjournment (Tim Gutwald)	The meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2017, at 4:30 pm.

Minutes recorded by: Susan Stokes