

MINUTES

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

Date: January 7, 2021

Chair: Sheerin Siddique

Members Present:

Reesa Benkoff	P	Leslie Rojas-Whitworth	P
Aaron Beresh	E	Christian Schafer	P
Colleen Clarkson	E	Sheerin Siddique	P
Mercedes Dordesi	P	Jenna Simon	P
Becky Glitman	P	Patricia Stamler	P
Timothy Gutwald	P	Nicole Stratton	P
Eric Klein	P	Louis Szura	P
Andrea Lee Linna	P	Deborah Williamson	P
Kevin Miserez	E	Rose Willis	E
Laura Napiewocki	E		

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to Order (Sheerin Siddique)	Sheerin called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.
Roll Call (Susan Stokes)	See above.
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Sheerin Siddique)	None.
Review and Approval of Minutes from December 3, 2020 (Sheerin Siddique)	The December 3, 2020 Minutes were approved as submitted.
Treasurer's Report (Andrea Lee Linna)	Andrea Linna discussed that there were expenses for LogMeIn of \$174.90 and \$175.26 for October and November, there was a Zoom charge for \$12.71, and \$218.57 for several annual meeting awards.
Committee Reports	
Legislative Committee Report (Rose Willis emailed the update)	The committee is still working on planning a Legislative webinar surrounding new legislation relating to the Pandemic. There has been a significant turnover in the House and the committee is working on contacting speakers.
Substantive Law Committee Report (Leslie Rojas-Whitworth)	The committee has its meeting next Tuesday. The committee has put together several ideas/topics for webinars and they are working on finding speakers. A few of the topics are as follows: 1) Telehealth – speaker: Andrea Lee Linna 2) Information Blocking Rules 3) Surprise Billing 4) Risk Adjustment & False Claims Act
Publications Committee Report (Becky Glitman)	The committee will be meeting next week to pick authors for this year.
Pro Bono Committee Report (Aaron Beresh emailed the update)	Aaron is working with MCR to reschedule the 501(c)(3) "Nuts & Bolts" workshop that was scheduled to take place on October 29, 2020.
Fellow Committee Report (Timothy Gutwald)	The committee will be scheduling a call this month to start the process of deciding the class of 2021 Fellows.
New Lawyers and Law Student Committee Report (Kevin Miserez)	No report.

Membership Committee Report (Jenna Simon)	The committee is planning a virtual “happy hour” and is looking into doing a virtual “Painting with a Twist” workshop.
Old Business (Sheerin Siddique)	<p>Sheerin spoke with Jennifer Colagiovanni from ICLE regarding the silver sponsorship. Currently, that is the lowest sponsorship level. Additionally, none of the other sections (that have financially sponsored the event in the past) have reduced their sponsorship level. She confirmed ICLE would be open to the HCLS coming up with a virtual networking opportunity as an additional value for our sponsorship level. One of the options suggested is a platform called remo.co (the ABA used it for its staff holiday party last month). Attendees can “move around” the tables to meet with different attendees. The host can also assign themes or topics if desired. ICLE plans on exploring remo.co further to potentially use at upcoming ICLE spring events.</p> <p>Discussion took place that no one has used the remo.co platform. Patricia Stamler indicated that she has attended a virtual happy hour with another association she belongs to and she had a good experience. Action Item: Patricia Stamler will contact the association to see if she can get the name of the platform and report back to Sheerin Siddique.</p>
New Business	
ICLE Health Law Institute Student and Government Employee Scholarships (Sheerin Siddique)	<p>Discussion took place about continuing the student and government employee scholarships at ICLE for 2021. In 2020 three (3) student and four (4) government scholarships were used. 2020 was the first year that the HCLS offered the government scholarships.</p> <p>Students - The Section will subsidize a \$150 discount of the student price (\$195) of attendance (\$45) for the first 10 law students who register for the March 2021 Health Law Institute. The total cost to the section shall not exceed \$1,500.</p> <p>Government Attorneys - The section will subsidize a \$150 discount off the regular price (\$395) of attendance (\$245) for the first 10 government attorneys who register for the March 2021 Health Law Institute. The total cost to the section shall not exceed \$1,500.</p> <p><u>Motion: To approve ten (10) \$150 scholarships for students at a total cost of \$1,500 and ten (10) \$150 scholarships for government employees at a total cost of \$1,500. The motion was unanimously approved.</u></p>
Adjournment/Next Meeting (Sheerin Siddique)	The meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m. The next Council meeting will be on February 4, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m.