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State Bar of Michigan – Health Care Law Section Council March 2, 2017 Meeting:

Date: Timothy Gutwald Chair:

Members Present:

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Martha Boonstra	Р	Trish Schabath	E
Mercedes Dordeski	Р	Sheerin Siddique	Р
Timothy Gutwald	Р	Nicole Stratton	Р
Patrick Haddad	Р	Louis Szura	Р
John Hazewinkel	Р		
Cara Jansma	Р		
Matthew Keuten	Р		
Mark Kopson	Р		
Josh Moore	Р		
Guests Present:			
Agenda Item	Discussion		
Call to Order (Timothy Gutwald)		meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.	
Roll Call (Timothy Gutwald)	See above.		
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Timothy Gutwald)	None.		
Review and Approval of Minutes of February 2, 2017 Council Meeting (Patrick Haddad)	The minutes of	the Council's February 2, 2017 meeting were unanimo	ously approved.
Treasurer's Report (Josh Moore)	The expenses for the Annual Meeting deposit (\$3,000) and the Piston's game (\$4,377) are on the January 31, 2017 Income and Expense Report. The fund balance is currently \$74,000, which is down about \$8,000 from the 2016 Year-to-Date.		
Technology Report (John Hazewinkel)	The committee has been working on updating the Communicable Diseases & Pandemic Preparedness Ad Hoc Task Force web page on the Health Care Law Section web site: http://connect.michbar.org/healthcare/taskforce/pandemic . This link was included in the February 2017 issue of the Michigan Bar Journal, which featured articles from the Health Care Law Section.		
Committee Reports			
Legislative Committee Report (Patrick Haddad)	There is no new activity to report at this time. The implementation of Public Act 499 of 2016 (APRNs) and Public Act 379 of 2016 (PAs) continues to be monitored.		
Substantive Law Committee Report (Nicole Stratton)	Upcoming Webinars: March – ICLE (no webinar) April 20, 2017 – Medical Marijuana Speakers: Jeff Schroder, Senior Attorney, Plunkett Cooney and Dr. Norman Miller May – TBD June – TBD		
	• <u>Insura</u> ruling	en discussions about the following topics for future web ance Mega Merger Litigation Overview: With the recer g and Aetna-Humana ruling, the committee thinks this w y topic. This webinar would review the rationale for bloc	nt Anthem-Cigna vould be a

	mergers and what this could mean for future payor mergers.
	ERISA Preemption: This webinar would review how ERISA may apply to
	proposals to sell insurance across state lines.
	Medicare Advantage Compliance Regulations Overview: This webinar
	would review how Medicare Advantage compliance regulations are
	becoming more complicated (e.g., off-shore restrictions and compliance
	training) and associated problems for payors and providers.
Publications Committee Report	Initial drafts of papers will be due this month on the following topics:
(Louis Szura)	<u>Corporate Integrity Agreements</u> – GinaMarie Geheb and Kim Commins-
	Tzoumakas of Hall Render
	Representing Physicians in Fair Hearing Proceedings – Fatima M. Mansour
	and Theresamarie Mantese of Mantese Honigman
	 A Provider's Guide to the Audit Process – Jessica C. Forster of Wachler &
	Associates, P.C.
	The committee hopes to send out the final drafts of the papers in April. The
	committee will be exploring the need to update the Communicable Diseases &
	Pandemic Preparedness Ad Hoc Task Force web page on the Health Care Law
	Section web site in light of the changes that could occur with President Trump's
	administration.
Pro Bono Committee Report	Trish is working with Peggy Costello at the Veteran's Law Clinic to determine the date
(Trish Schabath)	for the Veteran's Benefits Training in May that usually coincides with Memorial Day.
	Trish hopes to report the contact people for the two other clinics that she is working to
	establish relationships with at the April HCLS Council meeting. Once we have the
	contact people established, then we can publish information to the membership on
	who they can contact to volunteer. We can also publish the nature of the pro bono
	services that are needed.
Fellows Committee Report (Martha	A committee meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2017. An e-blast seeking
Boonstra)	nominations for Fellows will be sent out following the March 21, 2017 meeting.
New Lawyers and Law Students	Lunch and Learn Schedule:
Committee Report (Matthew Keuten)	Western Michigan University Cooley Law School – the Lunch and Learn
	took place in February
	2. Michigan State University College of Law – March 20, 2017 (all panelists
	are set)
	3. University of Michigan Law School – March 22, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. (all
	panelists are set)
	4. University of Detroit Mercy School of Law – March 20, 2017 at 4:45 p.m. (all
	panelists are set)
	The fowling social event will take place on May 4. Motion: To purchase a table cover for less than \$400. The Motion was
	unanimously approved.
	Motion: To spend up to \$150 for four (4) Lunch and Learns. The Motion was
	unanimously approved.
Membership Committee Report (Cara	The Griffins hockey game was well received by the nineteen (19) individuals that
Jansma)	attended. The attendees came from all over the State. The committee discussed
oansma _j	implementing better guidelines for future events identifying who can attend the
	events.
	Upcoming Events:
	Detroit – Tiger's Game
	a. The game is Thursday, June 15, 2017.
	b. The committee will contact Bodman about providing a venue for
	pre-game festivities.
	Lansing – Lugnuts Game
	Ann Arbor – The committee is looking for ideas
	The committee is planning to have an informational membership table at the ICLE
	Conference. There will be a "Tweet for Treats" contest. The attendees can come to
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	the table and get candy after they post tweets. Also, there will be a "Freebies for Followers" contest. Both contests will take place during the ICLE Conference. The Council members are encouraged to use Twitter. ICLE will place a round sticker on the name badges of HCLS members. We will be relying on the State Bar of Michigan to provide the names of HCLS members. Action Item: Josh will get pens to Matt Keuten for the ICLE Conference table.
Old Business	
ICLE (Timothy Gutwald)	The HCLS will be hosting appetizers from 5:30-6:30 p.m. after the ICLE Conference. There will then be an appreciation dinner for HCLS members (an invitation was sent to invitees by Susan) at 6:30 p.m. in the Nazareth room at the Inn at St. John's.
E-Blast Template (Timothy Gutwald)	The Council is still working on developing a template for e-blasts.
New Business	
Increase Section Membership Fee (Timothy Gutwald)	The Council discussed the merits of increasing the membership fee. There was discussion about the return on investment members receive and the value of membership. It was noted that a few years ago the HCLS had a huge fund balance. The decision was made to put on more social events and as a result the fund balance has decreased. An increased membership fee would help us to continue offering these social events. Current Council members could not remember if the membership fee has ever been increased. The Council members decided to increase the membership fee to \$45 instead of \$40 and review the fee in 2-3 years so that the membership fee does not have to be increased every year. Motion: To increase the membership fee from \$35 to \$45. The Motion was unanimously approved.
Adjournment (Timothy Gutwald)	The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2017, at 4:30 pm.

Minutes recorded by: Susan Stokes