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

Date: March 5, 2020

Chair: Mercedes Dordeski

Members Present:

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| Reesa Benkoff | P | Christian Schafer | E |
| Aaron Beresh | E | Jeff Schroder | E |
| Martha Boonstra | P | Sheerin Siddique | P |
| Mercedes Dordeski | P | Colleen Simek | P |
| Becky Glitman | P | Patricia Stamler | E |
| Eric Klein | P | Nicole Stratton | P |
| Andrea Lee | P | Louis Szura | P |
| Kevin Miserez | E | Deborah Williamson | E |
| Laura Napiewocki | E | Rose Willis | P |
| Leslie Rojas | P | | |

| Agenda Item | Discussion |
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| 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 February 6, 2020 (Rose Willis) | The February 6, 2020 Minutes were approved as submitted. |
| Treasurer's Report (Nicole Stratton, report given by Susan Stokes) | For the month ending January 31, 2020 there were 2 expenses as follows, \$3,500 for the Pistons game for member outreach activities and \$171.92 for teleconference calls. The Section received dues of \$2,295 from regular dues and \$5.00 from student dues. Therefore, the Section has an Ending Fund Balance of \$78,220.95, which is up \$5,200.49 from 2019's Ending Fund Balance at this same time last year. There were additional expenses from the Pistons game and ICLE expenses that are not reflected. |
| Committee Reports | |
| Legislative Committee Report (Mercedes reported for Jeff) | The committee is looking to have the legislative event in May in Lansing. The committee is seeking a venue and confirming the date within the next week or so. One of the committee members is a member of the Lansing Country Club. The committee is also checking a few other venues. The plan is to get two legislators from the Health Policy Committee (one Dem. and one Rep.) that were going to speak at our annual meeting last year. The reason they could not make the annual meeting was that it was in Detroit during the afternoon on a day that the legislature was in session. The event would start at 5:00 pm and be a happy hour event with appetizers, etc. Something that will not overlap with the legislative session, but want it on a day when the Health Policy Committee is in session so they will be in Lansing and not back in their districts. Discussion took place that in 2018 about 15 people attended on May 22. Senator Mike Shirkey was the keynote speaker. The amount spent for the reception in 2018 was about \$350. If the committee needs an approval by the board for funds before the next board meeting a resolution will be emailed. |
| Substantive Law Committee Report (Reesa Benkoff) | There will be a webinar on April 29 th on " <i>What you Don't Know Can Hurt You: Hot Topics in Employment Law</i> ." The Speaker is, Courtney Nichols, she is the Co-Leader of the Labor and Employment Law Practice Group at Plunkett Cooney. The announcement will go out to the membership in late March or early April. |

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| | In early June will be a webinar regarding <i>Program Integrity Rules RE: Reporting Requirements</i> . The speaker will be Gerald Aben from Dykema. I don't have an exact title or date, at this time. I am working on dates with Gerald, he emailed Susan earlier today. |
| Publications Committee Report (Becky Glitman) | <p><u>Publications from the 2018-19 year - Update</u></p> <p>1) Opioid prescribing in Michigan Impact on Clinical Care (new rules) was published and emailed to the members.</p> <p>2) Payment Contracting Provider Appeals (McLaren/McLaren Health Plan) – the committee has set weekly & biweekly deadlines for the next 8 weeks. The goal is to try and get the paper published in May.</p> <p>3) The pandemic committee is working on the final proof and they hope to send to Becky by early spring. Discussion took place as to if the paper would have information about the Coronavirus.</p> <p><u>Publications for 2019-20 - Update</u></p> <p>The requested topics from the “call for authors” were as follows:</p> <p>1) Behavioral Health and the 2) Scope of Practice Delegation NPS, Nurse Anesthetists and lower level licensure papers – 3-4 drafts were received but once the authors received the deadlines and examples of papers; they all didn't have the capacity to write the paper.</p> <p>3) Healthcare Facility Closure Rules in Michigan – they have an author, but the author is not available to write the paper until the fall.</p> <p>Telehealth – outline due by the end of next week. Publication deadline will be determined pending new laws.</p> <p>A survey will be given at the ICLE conference asking for people to write white papers. The committee is trying to find another way to get potential authors.</p> <p>Discussion took place that instead of a white paper having shorter papers written on “hot topics” . The committee will review this idea. This would require a new structure and process by the committee.</p> |
| Pro Bono Committee Report (Aaron Beresh reported report by email) | The committee has a call planned for March 18 with Michigan Community Resources (MCR). The committee would like to work with MCR again to do another workshop in October. |
| Fellow Committee Report (Martha Boonstra) | The committee had their first meeting and during the call the committee looked at the names of the folks that are in their file that had been nominated in the past. There are about 5 people on that list. An email blast was sent to the membership asking for Fellow nominations. The committee will convene in April to look over all the nominations and the goals is to present the slate to the board at the June meeting. There will be up to 5 awards presented. |
| New Lawyers and Law Student Committee Report (Kevin Miserez reported by email) | <p>Kevin gave an update that the following schools have been contacted and the committee has set the following dates for Lunch & Learn events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cooley Law School – March 10th can someone help with this because Reesa is now not able to attend Wayne State University – March 23 University of Michigan – Louis is working on securing a date Michigan State University – March 18 with the panel being Deb Williamson, Jennifer Kildea Dewane, Melissa Reitz and Nicole Stratton University of Detroit Mercy – April 17. |
| Membership Committee Report (Andrea Lee reported by email) | The committee is working on planning a “Painting with a Twist” event on April 29 th in both Ferndale (\$37 per person) and Grand Rapids (\$35). There would be a ½ hour of networking and 2 hours of painting. Motion: To approve the total cost of \$2,000 for the |

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| | <p><u>Painting with a Twist evens in Ferndale and Grand Rapids that would include appetizers, drinks, wine and beer. Motion: Unanimously Approved.</u></p> <p>Discussion took place about continuing "Tweet for Treats" at the Health Law Institute. The Council all liked the idea. <u>Motion: To approve the purchase of candy and bowls for "tweet for treats" at the Health Law Institute. Motion: Unanimously Approved.</u></p> |
| New Business – State Bar Young Lawyers Sponsorship on Sept. 12, 2020 | <p>Discussion took place about the scholarship. The Council had questions as to how many attend the program. Does the HCLS want to attend. Will being a sponsor help the Health Care Law Section gain membership; is it a good expenditure. The Council decided not to pursue the Young Lawyers Sponsorship this year since the event was on a Saturday and the Council didn't have enough information.</p> |
| Annual Meeting Planning Committee Volunteers needed | <p>A committee of the Officers and Past President help with the planning. Mercedes asked if any other Council members would like to help with the planning of the Annual Meeting. Collen Simek agreed to help. Mercedes asked that Susan send an email because a few members dropped off the call because it at the meeting end time.</p> |
| Adjournment/Next Meeting (Mercedes Dordeski) | <p>The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. The next Council meeting will be on April 2, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m.</p> |