

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HEALTH LAW SECTION

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

October 13, 1999

The Council meeting was held in Lansing, Michigan in the offices of Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. at 3:00 p.m. The following Council members attended: Gary McRay, Maria Abrahamsen (by telephone), Gregory Drutchas, Gerald Griffith, James Falahee, Kathrin Kudner, Nancy Lukey, Howard Marderosian, Leslie Wizner (by telephone), Keith Soltis and Lawrence Burns (by telephone) and Maurice McMurray (by telephone).

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Gary McRay at 3:15 p.m.
2. Minutes. The Minutes of the September 16, 1999 meeting were unanimously approved upon motion by Mr. Falahee and second by Mr. Drutchas.
3. New Business.
 - a. Welcome to New Members. The new members to the Council were welcomed.
 - b. Election of 1999-2000 Officers. The following slate of officers were elected unanimously upon motion by Mr. Falahee and second by Mr. Drutchas:

Chair-Elect - Nancy Lukey

Secretary - Kathrin Kudner

Treasurer - Gregory Drutchas
 - c. Appointments to Standing Committees. The following persons were appointed as members of the Standing Committees.

Nominating Committee - Maria Abrahamsen, James Falahee and Howard Marderosian

Program Committee - Keith Soltis and Lawrence Burns

Liaison Committee - Andrew Wachler

Legislative Committee - Colleen McClorey and Kathrin Kudner

Substantive Law and Practice - Gerald Griffith
 - d. Web Site Update. Kathrin Kudner will be responsible for updating the web site. The Council discussed using the services of a law student to assist.
 - e. Health Care Regulations Manual and 1999 Year in Review. Mr. Drutchas gave an update on the sale of the Manual. The Council discussed reference on the Web site and in MHA materials to the law firms who worked on the projects. The

Council decided that, as a general policy, law firms would not be mentioned in these kinds of materials. The Council agreed to make an exception with this Manual to recognize the efforts the Kitch firm. Nancy Lukey and Gary McRay will send thank-you letters to the individuals involved. Nancy Lukey, as Chair-elect, is responsible for the next Year in Review.

f. Health Law Program - March 3 & 4, 2000. The Council discussed Health Law Section sponsorship of the Health Law Program and unanimously approved sponsorship of the Reception upon motion by Nancy Lukey and second by James Falahee.

g. Health Law Index - Update. The Council discussed updating the Health Law Index. Mr. Falahee reported that the Society of Healthcare Attorneys was also interested in an update. Maria Abrahamsen, James Falahee and Gregory Drutchas will be responsible for putting together a proposal, budget and timetable for an update to the Health Law Index.

h. Treasurer Report. Mr. Drutchas presented the Treasurer's Report. The Council discussed the funds available and options for spending some of the funds, including reduction in dues, national speaker fees and social events. The Council decided to discuss the budget at next month's meeting. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved upon motion by Ms. Lukey and second by Ms. Kudner.

4. Subcommittees. The Council discussed ways to encourage participation in the Subcommittees. Mr. Griffith will set up a meeting with the Subcommittee Co-Chairs to discuss meeting times and topics.

5. Other Business.

a. MSMS Bioethics Seminar - Mr. McRay reported that MSMS had requested that the Health Law Section co-sponsor the Year 2000 Bioethics Seminar. Mr. McRay will obtain more information about what co-sponsorship will involve.

b. Letter from Andrew Wachler - Mr. McRay reported on a letter received from Mr. Wachler requesting co-sponsorship of an ABA/AMA Conference on Physician Law and a copy of the Section mailing list. The Council decided to give Mr. Wachler labels for the mailing list but not to co-sponsor the event.

c. Opening Doors Conference - Mr. McRay reported on a letter requesting whether the Health Law Section wished to exhibit at the State Bar of Michigan Opening Doors Conference on October 30, 1999. The Council decided to place materials on the exhibit table.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.