

## MINUTES

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

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Date: February 7, 2013

Chair: Steve Bender

### Members Present:

John Anderson	E	Josh Moore	P
Steve Bender	P	Laura Napiewocki	P
Jennifer Benedict	P	Monica Navarro	P
Richard Bouma	P	Donna O'Connor	A
Patrick Haddad	P	Abby Pendleton	E
John Hazewinkel	P	Trish Schabath	A
Marta Hoffman	P	Deborah Williamson	P
Mark Kopson	E	Timothy Gutwald	A
Thomas McGraw	P	Cara Jansma	E

Action/Follow-Up = [ ]

Agenda Item	Discussion
Call to Order (Steve Bender)	Steve Bender called the meeting to order at 4:30
Roll Call (Steve Bender)	See above for members present.
Conflict of Interest Disclosures (Steve Bender)	None.
Review and Approval of Minutes of January 3, 2013 Council Meeting (Steve Bender)	Minutes were unanimously approved without changes.
Treasurer's Report (Tom McGraw)	Tom reported that the Section has approximately \$93,500 in the bank, compared with approximately \$91,000 at this time last year.
Substantive Law Committee Report (Timothy Gutwald)	In Tim's absence Adrienne reported that there was strong attendance at the recent EHR teleconference. A teleconference on CON is scheduled for 2/28/13.
Publications Committee Report (Monica Navarro)	Monica reported that a number of publications have been updated. Three projects are in the works: updating the record retention manual, updating HIPAA matrix (target completion date is 4/15/13) and Affordable Care Act timeline. Discussion ensued about sending an email blast to HCLS members to let them know these resources exist and are available on the HCLS website. <b>Monica Navarro will prepare a draft of the email.</b>
New Lawyers and Law Students Committee Report (John Anderson)	John sent the following update on the HCLS discussion panels at the law school: He has been in contact with the schools, and they have asked us to provide dates in which we would be available to speak. <b>John plans to solicit dates, and those interested in participating in such panels, next week.</b>

Legislative Committee Report (Mark Kopson)	Nothing to report.
Technology Committee Report (Rich Bouma)	Nothing to report.
Pro Bono Committee Report (Trish Schabath)	Josh reported in Trish's absence. He wasn't aware of any updates on the Survey tool. Josh is in contact with Michigan Legal Resource about potential pro bono opportunities for the Section.
Annual Meeting Committee (Steve Bender)	The next step for the annual meeting planning is to convene a work group to devise an agenda, choose topics for speakers and secure speakers.
Fellows Committee Report (Deb Williamson)	Nothing to report.
Law School Achievement Award (Marta Hoffman)	Marta presented a resolution to the Council regarding the Law School Academic Achievement Award Program. Discussion ensued regarding both the resolution and clarifying whether Wayne State University is an eligible law school. A motion was made to approve the resolution, provided the phrase "Potentially eligible law schools:" is added before the list of law schools beginning on page 1 of the resolution. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The resolution provides that the amount of the Academic Achievement award for 12-13 will be \$1,500 per eligible law school. A copy of the approved Resolution follows these minutes.
Law Day Contest	Steve reported that he will prepare an email to be sent out to the Section regarding the Law Day Contest.
Adjournment/Next Meeting (Steve Bender)	<p>The meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.</p> <p>Next Meeting: March 14, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. Council members were asked to send Steve and Adrienne an email if they have a conflict with this date/time.</p>

Minutes recorded by Jen Benedict

**Health Care Law Section-State Bar of Michigan**  
**Law School Academic Achievement Award Program**

The Health Care Law Section (the “Section”) of the State Bar of Michigan resolves to establish and fund the Law School Academic Achievement Award Program (the “Program”) for students enrolled in healthcare law course study at eligible Michigan law schools.

**PURPOSES OF THE PROGRAM**

The purposes of the Program are:

- to recognize outstanding academic performance by law students in the field of healthcare law,
- to increase membership in the State Bar of Michigan and the Section by increasing law student awareness of the Section,
- to develop potential future leaders in the Section,
- to induce outstanding law students to practice law in Michigan and join the Section upon their admission to the State Bar of Michigan,
- to aid in deferring the cost of obtaining a legal education in Michigan through the award of a prize, and
- to increase awareness and perception of the Section with law students, the members of the State Bar of Michigan and the general public by setting an example of philanthropic leadership and support for outstanding academic achievement.

**APPROPRIATION AND USE OF AWARD**

To achieve these purposes, the Section shall appropriate an amount approved on an annual basis by the Section Council to eligible students at the law schools set forth below, provided the law school meets the eligibility requirements set forth by the Section. In the inaugural fiscal year of 2012 – 2013, that amount shall be \$1,500.00 per eligible law school. Potentially eligible law schools are:

- University of Detroit Mercy School of Law,
- University of Michigan Law School,
- Michigan State University College of Law,

- Thomas M. Cooley Law School, and
- Wayne State University Law School.

Each eligible school will grant the award to a student enrolled at the school who exhibits high achievement in healthcare law courses or other upper level health-law-related courses approved by the Section and as determined by the dean of the school. The award will be given in the name of the “Health Care Law Section-State Bar of Michigan” and presented as a “Health Care Law Section Academic Achievement Award” or in the case of University of Detroit – Mercy School of Law, “The Thomas J. Trenta Health Care Law Section Academic Achievement Award”, or other equivalent award as applicable to each school.

#### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR RECEIPT OF AWARD

The Section sets forth the following requirements by which the recipient law school must abide to be eligible for receipt of the award:

- The student winner of the award must be someone who has made a commitment to remain in Michigan following graduation and taking of the Michigan bar exam,
- The student winner must attend a ceremony designated by the Section for the purpose of being presented with the award, which the Section will endeavor to make concurrent with the Section’s annual meeting so as to further expose the students to the practice of healthcare law,
- The law school must publicize the existence of the award, such as through advertising the award on the law school’s website, in the law school’s financial aid/development office or through any other means ordinarily used by the law school to publicize other competitive awards or scholarships.
- Each law school must be able to accommodate and implement this award under the conditions set forth by the Section. Failure to do so will result in a law school’s ineligibility for this Award until the next fiscal year in which such law school notifies the Section of its eligibility.

#### FUTURE AWARDS

The Section is interested in providing the award for the next three years at which time it will evaluate the Program to determine whether it is achieving the outlined purposes. At that time, the Section may also consider expanding the Program to include an endowment feature. Additionally, the Section reserves the right to modify or discontinue the Program with or without notice at any time; provided, that once the award is approved by the Section for any fiscal year, the Section will not modify or discontinue the Program until the Section’s next fiscal year.

Approved 2.7.13