

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HEALTH CARE LAW SECTION

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

March 8, 2000

The Council meeting was held in Farmington Hills, Michigan in the offices of Mercy Health Services. The following Council members attended: Gary McRay, Maria Abrahamsen (by telephone), Nancy Lukey, Gerald Griffith, Keith Soltis, Joy Berent, Kathrin Kudner and Lezlie Wisner.

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Gary McRay at 3:10 p.m.
2. Minutes. The Minutes of the February 9, 2000 meeting were approved upon motion by Gary McRay and second by Maria Abrahamsen.
3. New Business.
 - a. Web Site. Kathy Kudner reported on the status of the web site. The information is compiled and will be submitted to the Bar Association within the next few weeks.
 - a. 1999 Year in Review. Nancy Lukey reported on the progress of the project. Nancy's firm has agreed to perform the project for a fee of \$5,000. The Council discussed use of a law student to provide assistance.
 - b. Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's Report was postponed until the April meeting.
 - c. MSMS Bioethics Conference. There have been no developments since the last Council meeting. Nancy Lukey and Colleen McClorey are to follow up.
 - d. Michigan Health Law Index Update. There have been no developments. Gary McRay agreed to follow up on sales and Maria Abrahamsen agreed to review other forms of promotion.
 - e. Program Committee. Keith Soltis reported that he had received the names of five-ten possible speakers for the Annual Meeting. Keith has spoken with a few of the individuals and will continue calling them to see if they the experience or interest to participate.
 - f. Welcome. Gary McRay welcomed Joy Berent as a new member.

g. Legislative Committee. Colleen McClorey indicated there was no update. Colleen and Kathy Kudner will follow up on the proposed HMO legislation.

4. Manual Updates. The Council discussed potential assistance for the Medical Record Retention Manual. Gary McRay will get an estimate of students and return to the Council for approval.

5. Subcommittees. Gerry Griffith distributed minutes of the last planning session of the Subcommittee Co-Chairs. He reported on the Payor Subcommittee meeting held in March with Betty Weisberg from HCFA, Region V. There will also be a joint subcommittee meeting in May on managed care contracting with a panel by a payor's attorney, a provider's attorney and an employer representative. The Council discussed other potential subcommittee meetings, including a presentation on HIPAA.

6. Other Business.

a. Gary McRay responded to the letter from ICLE indicating that the Council would send a copy of the Health Law Index but would not be participating further.

b. Gary McRay responded to the request from the Enterprise Strategy Group, Inc.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2000 in Lansing.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.