

MINUTES

Meeting: State Bar of Michigan – Health Care Law Section Council
Date: November 1, 2011
Chair: Marta Hoffman

Members Present:

John Anderson (Secretary)	P	Josh Moore	P
Steve Bender (Vice Chair)	P	Laura Napiewocki	P
Jennifer Benedict	P	Monica Navarro	E
Richard Bouma	P	Donna O'Connor	P
Patrick Haddad	P	Abby Pendleton	E
John Hazewinkel	P	Trish Schabath	P
Marta Hoffman (Chair)	P	Monica Wilkinson (Past Chair)	P
Mark Kopson	P	Deborah Williamson	P
Thomas McGraw (Treasurer)	P		

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action/Follow-Up</u>
Call to Order (Marta Hoffman)	Ms. Hoffman called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.	
Roll Call (Adrienne Nutter)	See above for members present.	
Conflict of Disclosure (Marta Hoffman)	None reported.	
Review and Approval of Minutes (John Anderson)	October minutes are approved.	Mr. Anderson will send these minutes to Ms. Benedict to file them with the State Bar.
Treasurer's Report (Tom McGraw)	<p>Two financial documents were distributed: 12 month statement ending 9/30/11 and General Ledger Balance ending on same date. Mr. McGraw reviews the 12 month statement.</p> <p>Mr. McGraw will be attending a teleconference with the State Bar financial team along with Mrs. Hoffman.</p>	
Substantive Law Committee (Laura Napiewocki)	<p>The first committee meeting was held. Additionally, the first teleconference was held, and headway has been made on topics for future teleconferences. Shooting for 8-9 more.</p> <p>The Technology Committee is proposing a two-part series, and they would like to hold them before the end of the year. If holding this series prior to the end of the year is not possible, an effort will be made to hold one more teleconference on another topic, to ensure that we aren't waiting until January for the next presentation.</p>	
Publications Committee (Donna O'Connor, Monica Navarro)	In the absence of Ms. O'Connor and Ms. Navarro, Mrs. Hoffman gave the report. Updates are being made to the Health Law Index and the Fraud and Abuse Manual. Committee is working with the State Bar to get these changes posted to the website. Looking at Michigan-specific issues and the corporate practice of medicine. A schedule of regular meetings is pending.	

New Lawyers and Law Students Committee (John Anderson)	Ms. Benedict of the State Bar has posted the winning submissions on the website. A meeting for the committee is pending.	
Legislative Committee (Mark Kopson, Deborah Williamson, Steve Bender)	Mr. Bender speaks about the Individual Mandate. We do not need State Bar approval to take action on this. They would like, however, to let them know the position/action that we take. We do not need to poll the membership. A suggestion to handle this from an educational standpoint is made. Mr. Bender will do more research on the status of the litigation.	
Technology Committee (Jen Benedict, Rich Bouma)	Nothing to report. Updates have been made to the website. Additionally, Mr. Moore will be joining this committee.	
Pro Bono Committee (Laura Napiewocki)	Ms. Schabath reports. Ms. Pendleton will be joining the committee as well. Nightingale Task Force-Nothing new reported. Counselors for the Cure: Ms. Napiewocki is working on this initiative. Encourage registration and participation.	.
HITECH Act (Marta Hoffman)	Ms. Hoffman reported that in the future, HITECH Act developments would be followed and reported by the Legislation Committee.	Remove as a stand alone agenda item in the future.
Fellows Committee (Deb Williamson)	Ms. Williamson has reconfigured the committee. Meeting on Friday. Need to revise the charter, hopefully prior to the next Council meeting. Putting together some information for the website. Will be doing organized outreach to the Fellows to utilize them.	
Law Student Writing Competition	It is suggested that perhaps consolidating the award to one with a larger prize will stimulate submissions.	
New Business (Marta Hoffman)	Ms. Hoffman will circulate committee member lists. Ms. Hoffman reports on the morning's Annual Meeting follow-up call. The venue was nice but not conducive to the meeting, and we need better AV services. Ms. Hoffman speaks about the ICLE dinner for Council Members. Last year, Fleming's overcharged us by \$600, which could be applied to a dinner there this year. Mr. Ivrey is looking into this option.	Mrs. Nutter will circulate the evaluation forms from the Annual Meeting.
Adjournment/Next Meeting (Marta Hoffman)	The meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm. Next Meeting: December 6, 2011 @ 4:30	

Minutes recorded by Adrienne Nutter