

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN
ADMINISTRATIVE AND REGULATORY LAW SECTION
BUSINESS MEETING, JANUARY 19, 2011
KELLOGG CENTER, LANSING

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Patterson at 6:17 PM. Eight (8) section members were present, including all Executive Council members, except for M. Watza, K. Smith, C. LeGrand and R. Aaron, who were excused.
2. The agenda for the meeting was approved.
3. The minutes of the December 17, 2010, meeting were approved.
4. Treasurer's Report (M. Ashton). A detailed trial balance was distributed by Treasurer Ashton prior to the meeting, indicating an ending fund balance of \$43,516.45 for the period ending December 31, 2010.
5. Program Committee Report (Chair Elect Breitmeyer):
 - a. Various Luncheon Program options were discussed for the March 2011 timeframe, including speakers from the Secretary of State (topics discussed included Vehicle Registration and License Restoration) and Department of Attorney General (topics to be determined)? G. Gordon to make inquiry.
 - b. May 2011 MPSC Commissioners Luncheon Meeting was discussed. Chair Patterson and Chair-Elect Breitmeyer to contact R. Kehres)
 - c. September 2011 State Bar Annual Meeting Luncheon Program discussed. Potential speakers from SOAHR include M. Zimmer and P. Plummer.
6. Newsletter Report (K. Breitmeyer):
 - a. Winter Edition
Submission deadline extended briefly to accommodate Tax Tribunal Article.
 - b. Spring Edition
Submission deadline is mid-April 2011.
 - T. Lundgren to prepare article regarding environmental standing
 - M. Burzych to write article concerning the Constitutional right to appeal from an administrative agency ruling.
7. Membership Committee.

No report. K. Smith being absent.

8. Old business

- a. Listserve Discontinuation
 - Chair Patterson requested Section be removed from listserv and fee payment terminated.
- b. Writing Competition Update
 - The Application and Guidelines for Ideas was discussed.
 - It was determined to request submission of article ideas by the end of February, 2011. The Newsletter Committee will review submitted ideas.
 - It was determined to request submission of articles for publication by May 31, 2011.
 - T. Lundgren expressed concern regarding potential conflicts between the article submission due date and law school final exams. The concern was noted and will be evaluated based on experience.
- c. Status of Environmental Liaison/Energy Committee. Christinidis
 - January 2011 State Bar Journal Energy Law articles discussed.
 - The Section noted that the State Bar did not contact the Section to solicit input for the Energy Law articles
 - The Section discussed the potential for response and determined to contact S. Gobbo.

9. New Business:

- a. Logo and Additions to Section Website
 - Chair-Elect Breitmeyer displayed the Section logo prepared by the State Bar.
 - No Section logo changes recommended at this time.
- b. Annual Meeting – Meeting Space and Time Request
 - Annual Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday, September 14 -16, 2011 in Dearborn, Michigan.
 - i. The Council discussed time and date preferences for the Council Business Meeting and Luncheon Program. An afternoon meeting is preferred, except on Friday. The Council agreed that the order of meeting day preference would be Wednesday (3), Thursday (2), and Friday (1).
 - ii. Chair Patterson emphasized avoidance of conflict with the Environmental Section meeting.

iii. Expected attendance and meeting times (before or after the Luncheon Program) were discussed. 10:00am was observed to be an acceptable morning meeting start time.

c. Discussion of Diversity Pledge request from State Bar President Jenkins

- Letter from State Bar President Jenkins was circulated among Council meeting attendees.

i. It was determined that Chair Patterson will sign the Diversity Pledge on behalf of the Section.

10. Next Council Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 16, 2011, at 6:00 PM (Kellogg Center)

11. Adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Jon P. Christinidis, Administrative and Regulatory Law Section Council Secretary