

# MINUTES

## MSBA Environmental, Natural Resources & Energy Law Section

### Council Meeting

7:45 a.m. Wednesday, March 3, 2010  
Fredrikson & Byron, PA

- I. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 7:45 a.m. In attendance were Section Council Chair Joe Maternowski, Dan Schleck, Jeff Sepesi, Sue Steinwall, Sara Peterson, Katie Roek, Alex Klass, Greg Korstad, Dave Zoll, and Betsy Schmiesing.
- II. **Review and approve Minutes of February 3, 2010 meeting.** The February 3, 2010 meeting minutes were approved.
- III. **Financial Report** The balance in the ENRE section account is \$10,470.16 as of January 31, 2010.
- IV. **Continuing Initiatives**
  - A. **Environmental Institute.** The Institute is fully planned and will be held next month on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Earth Day.
  - B. **One-Hour CLEs .** Katie Roek reported that seventy-five participants signed up for today's CLE on developing renewable energy projects on agricultural land. The committee is considering doing a third one-hour CLE this year on the future of environmental review in Minnesota. The CLE would take place in conjunction with the council's May meeting, which will be scheduled for 7:45-8:15am, before the CLE.
  - C. **Newsletter.** Dave Zoll reported that the newsletter committee continues to seek articles and contributions, including 3-4 case studies from students, more substantive articles, and students willing to assist with the publication process. Dan Schleck noted that some of his students at St. Thomas would be willing to assist in publicatio logistics. Alex Klass and Sara Peterson will ask their University of Minnesota students about converting class papers into articles for the newsletter. The committee is also considering whether it makes sense to have more of a rolling newsletter or blog on the website, and looking at partnering with Bill Hefner regarding case studies.
  - D. **Social Events.** Sara Peterson reported that the Arboretum social event is scheduled for 10am on May 15<sup>th</sup>, with a format similar to last year. A brunch buffet will be served, followed by options to participate in a volunteer activity, a children's craft activity, or a tour of the Arboretum.

- E. Website Enhancements** Joe Maternowski and Dan Schleck noted that the list of services provided by ENRE Section members is under development.
- F. Distinguished Service Award** Deadline for nominations for the award is March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- V. New Business.** No new business discussed.
- VI. Adjourn.** The meeting adjourned at 8am.