

## MSBA NEW LAWYERS SECTION

### Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2008

**Members Present:** Christina Weber, Jennifer Lurken, Dan Gilchrist, Emily Finger, Jessica Giesen, Jonathan Drewes, David Classen, Shanda Pearson, Troy Tatting, Masha Yevzelman, Krista Hatcher, Chris Kuhlman, Gabe Johnson, Mark Trocinski, Jason Fincke, Lacey Anderson, Andrew Gifford, Mike Miller, Chanel Melin, Angela Mcshane, Erika Donner, Lauren Nuffot (via phone)

#### I. Opening Business

- a. Introductions and Call to Order at 5:35 at the MSBA offices. Meeting chaired by Dan Gilchrist.
- b. February 2008 meeting minutes were approved.

#### II. New Business

- a. Recap of ABA/YLD mid year meeting in Los Angeles.
- b. Community Service: David Classen gave a recap of the “Choose Law” and said the next event was at Washburn High School.
- c. Social Committee
  - i. Discussion regarding the Tri Bar Social on April 24<sup>th</sup> at Solera.
  - ii. Admission is \$10 donation to Second Harvest Heartland. Dan Gilchrist asked for volunteers to contact local firms and ask for donations of \$250.
  - iii. Chanel Melin moved to allocate \$400 from the Section to cover costs of door prizes at the social. Christina Weber seconded. Passed unanimously.
- d. MSBA Annual Convention was discussed. The band chosen is “Potbelly Stallions.” The cost of the band was \$900. A motion from Erika Donner to donate the extra \$100 from the band budget to the Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers Bike ride was tabled to gather additional information.
  - i. Troy Tatting moved to allocate \$400 from the Section’s budget to cover food and drink costs of the Hospitality Suite at the Convention. Chanel Melin seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- e. Hearsay
  - i. If interested in writing an article for the final *Hearsay* of the year, please email Shanda Pearson by April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- f. Nominating Committee for Officer Elections was discussed.
- g. Statement of Interest for NLS Officer positions
  - i. Anyone intending to run for an NLS officer position for the next fiscal year, but have statements of interest to Dan Gilchrist no later than April 14, 2008. The Nominating Committee will select a slate of candidates and elections will be held at the May meeting.

- III. Reports**
  - a. Officer Reports**
    - i. Christina Weber—Treasurer**
      - 1. No report**
    - ii. Lacey Anderson—Secretary**
      - 1. No report**
    - iii. Erika Donner—Vice Chair**
      - 1. No report**
    - iv. Dan Gilchrist—Chair**
      - 1. Discussion of the ABA YLD position that will transfer to Wisconsin for 2008-2010. Wisconsin chose their representative and asked that the MSBA NLS approve. The Section had no objections to the nomination of Jill Kastner as the new District Representative to the ABA YLD.**
      - 2. Anyone interested in a scholarship for the MSBA Annual Convention should contact Dan Gilchrist.**
  - b. Affiliate Reports**
    - i. HCBA: Officer nominations are April 9<sup>th</sup> with voting on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Right now they are collecting old law books to be sent to Africa. The HCBA delegation to the ABA Spring Conference in D.C. is having a Happy Hour prior to the trip.**
    - ii. ABA Representative: Mike Miller gave a summary report from the House of Delegates from February.**
    - iii. Ramsey: Happy Hours are the first Thursday of the month from 5-7. Judges Dinner is March 27<sup>th</sup>.**
  - c. Liaison Reports:**
    - i. Mark Trocinski gave a report from the Food & Drug Section**
    - ii. Mike Miller gave report from legislative committee.**
    - iii. Shanda Pearson gave report.**
    - iv. Jason Fincke-gave report from Int'l Law section. The Int'l Law Institute is on April 10.**
    - v. Chanel Melin gave an update from the Construction Law section that there will be a CLE on the ethics of ADR and also a Gopher Stadium tour on May 9<sup>th</sup>. A Construction Law Symposium is on June 6<sup>th</sup>.**
- IV. Adjournment (6:17)**
- V. Happy Hour to follow.**