

MSBA/NEW LAWYERS SECTION

Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2007

Members Present: Christina Weber, Lindsay Eastman, John Betzler, Jennifer Lurken, Erika Donner, Jennifer Lewis Kannegieter, Emily Finger, Kelly Larmon, Mike Miller, Rebecca Weisenberger, David Classen, Shanda Pearson, Justin Kaufman, Nicole James, Dan Gilchrist, Lacey Anderson, Lauren Nuffort, Emily Willits, Pete Gregory, Kristine Mullmann, Jason Fincke-Bosma, Karl Johnson, Joshua Brand, Mike Espenson, Jennifer Daugherty, Troy Tatting, Jonathan Drewes, Angela Burton (via telephone), Chanel Melin (via telephone)

I. Opening Business

- a. Introductions and Call to Order at 5:40 at the MSBA offices. Meeting chaired by Dan Gilchrist.
- b. The Council approved the May 2007 minutes without comment.

II. New Business

- a. Budget: Presentation and discussion of new budget for 2007-2008. New budget amount is \$15,000, as previously allocated. A Motion to Approve the budget was made by Emily Finger, and seconded by Jennifer Lurken. The motion passed.
- b. NLS Representative to the MSBA Assembly: The Section discussed the Council's appointment of Jason Kohlmeyer to be the NLS Representative to the MSBA Assembly. The Section is allowed to have two people sit in the Assembly. Jason was nominated in place of Jamal Faleel, who as past chair had the option of serving, but chose to not do so. Dan Gilchrist moved to ratify the Council's appointment of Jason Kohlmeyer. Lacey Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed with no comment.
- c. Reimbursement to Annual Meeting in San Francisco: Three Section members attended the ABA Annual in San Francisco, Nicole James, Erika Donner, and Mike Miller. Dan Gilchrist made a motion to reimburse each attendee \$750 for the costs of airfare, hotel, transportation, and conference fees. Jennifer Daugherty seconded the motion. The motion passed without comment. There was a brief discussion on the Annual Convention YLD assembly.
- d. Liaisons: Erika discussed the liaison positions and went through the list of those interested in being liaisons. The following liaisons were suggested:
 - i. Legislative—Jon Drewes and Mike Miller
 - ii. Women in the Legal Profession—Lacey Anderson
 - iii. Administrative Law—Mike Wietecki
 - iv. ADR—Chris Bradley
 - v. Animal Law—Jennifer Kannegieter
 - vi. Appellate Law—Rebecca Weisenberger

- vii. Business Law—Mike Espenson, Emily Finger, Kelly Larmon
- viii. Construction—Chanel Melin, Angela Burton
- ix. Civil Lit—Sharon Horozaniecki
- x. Elder Law—Kristine Mullmann
- xi. Environmental—Emily Willits
- xii. Family Law—Margeaux Coady
- xiii. Int'l Business—Jason Fincke
- xiv. Labor & Employment—Jennifer Lurken
- xv. Outstate—Angela Burton
- xvi. Probate & Trust—Jennifer Kannegieter
- xvii. Public Law—Justin Kaufman
- xviii. Public Utilities—Kyle Brehm
- xix. Real Property—Mike Wieteki

Erika moved to approve the new liaisons and Dan Gilchrist seconded. The new liaisons were approved without debate.

- e. Wills For Heroes: Watched video and passed around sign-up sheet for CLE/training.
- f. Discussed law school mixer
- g. Social/Recruitment: Asked for statements of interest to chair the committee and will discuss further at 10/18 meeting.
- h. CLE: October CLE will be the Wills for Heroes training. November CLE is planned as an Ethics credit with topic TBA.
- i. Charlotte: No statements of interest yet for Fall ABA Conference. Asked for statements of interests—Troy Tatting possibly interested. Will fund up to three people.
- j. Community Service: No report.
- k. Hearsay: Fall issue just released. Call for Authors for Winter issue goes out Oct. 1st with a deadline of Nov. 1st.

III. Reports

- a. Officers
 - i. Treasurer—none
 - ii. Secretary—none
 - iii. Vice Chair—Discussed current conversation in MSBA of moving the Annual to Duluth.
 - iv. Chair—Brought up current need for people interested in foreign language task force to translate legal documents. Anyone interested should send emails to Dan Gilchrist by Oct. 1.
- b. Affiliate
 - i. Hennepin—ANT is Oct. 26th at the Fine Line—contact Dan Gilchrist for tickets.
 1. New lawyers meetings are every second Wed. of the month at noon.
 2. Organizing a fall flag football event-TBD
 3. Judges' Talk is on 10/3
 4. Children's Law Benefit—10/18

- ii. ABA/YLD
 - 1. Jennifer discussed the FEMA emergency disaster services hotline that has been set up—still need people to volunteer
- IV. Adjournment (6:40)
- V. Post-meeting Happy Hour at M & S Grill, partially sponsored by NLS.

ABA Conference Schedule

ABA/YLD Fall Conference, Charlotte, NC--Oct. 4-6, 2007

ABA Mid-Year Conference, Los Angeles—Feb. 7-9, 2008

ABA/YLD Spring Conference, Washington DC—April 16-19, 2008

ABA Annual Meeting, New York—August 7-12, 2008