Construction Law Section Meeting Minutes February 8, 2017

Attendees:

Marisa Bavand Athan Tramountanas Bob Olson Jason Piskel Brett Hill Sean Skillingstad Jennifer Beyerlein Joe Torrenzio Rick Wetmore

The meeting commenced at 12:00 p.m. at the law offices of Short Cressman, and adjourned at about 1:00 p.m. and Marisa Bayand chaired.

Discussion

- 1. <u>Scholarship Update</u>: Jason will reach out to SU for more participation. One written submission in so far but likely that more will be received as deadline approaches. Athan, Tom, and Colm went to UW for pizza party and 3 people showed up. Brett and Amber attended the SU pizza party event and there were a number of people who expressed interest in writing.
- 2. <u>Financial Report:</u> Jennifer reported that revenues are above the budgeted amount because the CLE revenue was higher. Generally costs and revenues are on budget.
- 3. <u>Newsletter Update</u>: Athan reported that the e-blast will go out this week. Newsletter is on website. The goal is to put out 4 newsletters per year but we usually put out 3 per year. Athan is looking for authors.
- 4. Winter Forum: Bob reported that the cost will be \$50. Speaker Larry Johnson is lined up. Notice to save the date. Email to list serve on Friday about the event. Friday Feb. 24 deadline to respond. Thursday March 2nd for date. Sponsor for the event will be Inventus an e-discovery vendor and distributor for Relativity. \$1,500 contribution from Inventus and they will have literature at table. 5-10 minutes for their pitch. Contract with Cutters finalized. One-hour credit approved. Joe will handle telling Cutters the day before about final number. Bob noted that Cutters required payment before leaving last year.
- 5. <u>2017 Midyear CLE</u>: Jason reported that the speakers and agendas are set in stone. Working on catchy title.
- 6. <u>Construction Desk Book</u>: Brett reported that slow progress being made. Sean writing L&I portion. Will have early next week.
- 7. New Business:

New Seminar Topic. Athan mentioned that the new AIA contract forms will be released this year. He mentioned that this could be a good topic for the Fall Forum.

Electronic Elections. Electronic elections are coming to sections. All section members will participate in electing member of the Council. This will be effective 2018. Members seeking to join the Council will need to complete application. Need Council to rewrite Bylaws on elections. Bylaws must be submitted in July to BOG. 2017 elections will be done normally.

Website Transition. WSBA is updating its website and intends to go live in April of this year. Council needs to designate a point person. Council needs to review what we want and don't want. Opportunity to restructure or change content.

NEXT MEETING IS ON MARCH 8, 2017

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END OF MINUTES