

WSBA IP Section
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
6/10/2024

- BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Dario Machleidt (DM) (Past Chair); Rodney Tullett (RT) (Chair); Connie Wan (CW) (VICE CHAIR); Syed Abedi (SA) (Secretary-Treasurer); Sunah Lee (SL); Ethan Vodde (EV); Thomas Wong (TW); Carrie Lofts (CL); Ian Crosby (IC)

A. YOUNG LAWYER LIAISON: ~~Jack Chang (JC)~~ No Longer Attending Meetings

B. SECTION LIAISON: Carolyn MacGregor (CM)

C. BOG LIAISONS: Matthew Dresden (MD)

D. WSBA CLE LIAISON: Sally Romero (SR)

- CALL TO ORDER:

QUORUM: _____

- REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JUNE MINUTES

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

Minutes

- THINGS TO BE DECIDED AND WORKED ON

A. UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Discussion: The elections are over. We have two new at large members to start in October. We didn't have anyone to run for secretary/treasurer but Jim Vana of Schwabe has agreed to serve.

B. SCHOLARSHIPS

We have 15K in the budget to give as scholarships next year. We should see if this amount is sustainable given our bank balance and annual revenues.

C. PRO-BONO PROGRAM UPDATE

In April's EC meeting, EC voted to allocate 5K per year as a budget item to support the PTO's pro-bono program. Seattle U Law School will be hosting the program effective July 1, 2024. Professor Maggie Chon, who is hosting the program, is in communication with Anand from USPTO. Parties aim to sign the agreement by mid July.

Updates?

D. CORPORATE COUNSEL SECTION – JOINT MEETING

Discussion: How can we make this happen in '24-25 calendar year?

CLE UPDATES:

Empire Mini CLE

- i. Chairs: Ethan/Carrie
- ii. Date: February 13th, 2024
- iii. Format: in-person

Discussion: Done!

28th Annual IP Institute

- i. Chairs: Rodney Tullett, Connie Wan & Ian Crosby
- ii. Date: April 16, 2024 (the third Tuesday of April 2024):

Discussion: Done!

The CLE was a success and was well attended. If I had to do it over again, I would be wary of inviting the PTO since they are not good speakers and can't go off script. The privacy panel was good and a reminder that topics don't have to be patent or trademark related to be interesting.

The reception was not well attended but the Capital Grill did a great job and the food was excellent. Suggest having a reception if a CLE is to be Live only.

IP Licensing CLE

- i. Chairs: Syed, Sunah
- ii. Date: July 23rd 2024 (Tuesday)
- iii. Format: Done!

Discussion: How did this go?

CLE Timely Topics '25

- i. Chairs: Connie, TBD, Rodney
- ii. Date: Oct. 15, 2024
- iii. Format: Remote

Discussion: This is a full-day event, and we need 6 speakers.

- WSBA LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

A. Ethan Vodde has resigned from the committee so we have no one to track pending legislation. Any volunteers?

Discussion:

- Alcohol policy: This committee had voted to return to the prior policy of allowing the section to spend money on alcohol for these section events.

Discussion:

- ADJOURN: