

WSBA IP Section  
Executive Committee Meeting  
03/16/2023  
Minutes of Meeting Agenda

I. BOARD MEMBERS:

Brooke Quist (BQ) (Immediate Past Chair); ~~Dario Machleidt (DM) (Chair)~~; Rodney Tullett (RT) (Vice Chair); Connie Wan (CW) (Secretary-Treasurer); Syed Abedi (SA); ~~Sunah Lee (SL)~~; Ethan Vodde (EV); Thomas Wong (TW); Carrie Lofts (CL)

- A. YOUNG LAWYER LIAISON: ~~Jack Chang (JC)~~
- B. SECTION LIAISON: Carolyn MacGregor (CM)
- C. BOG LIAISONS: ~~Matthew Dresden (MD)~~ & Kevin Fay (KF)
- D. WSBA CLE LIAISON: ~~Sally Romero (SR)~~

II. CALL TO ORDER: 4:04 PM

QUORUM: RT, CW, SA, EV, TW, CL, (KF), (CM)

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2023 MINUTES

Discussion: no discussion

Motion: Brooke

Second: Syed

Vote: all Ayes

IV. IP SECTION CLES

A. Eastern WA Mini-CLE (IEIP – Inland Empire IP Institute)

- i. Chairs: Ethan and Carrie Loft
- ii. Date: March 3

Discussion: excellent CLE sessions. 20 people joined, most practitioners. Carrie will be seeking reimbursement for the food purchase.

B. 27<sup>th</sup> Annual IP Institute

- i. Chairs: Dario Machleidt & Rodney Tullett
- ii. Date: April 25-26, 2023 & hybrid
  - 1. keynote—Federal Circuit Judge Stark (confirmed)

Discussion: need to send out a marketing CLE advertisement. Rodney is planning three email blasts. Travel expense for Judge Stark was discussed. Reception is planned for the 25<sup>th</sup>. Dinner is tentatively set for the 24<sup>th</sup>. Dinner costs need to be reasonable per WSBA rule. Maximum per person needs to be approved by WSBA. Expect 12-14 people with max of 17 people for dinner. Up to \$900 budget for the dinner excluding alcohol.

Motion: Rodney moved to increase the dinner budget to up to \$900

Second: Connie

Vote: all Ayes

C. IP Licensing CLE

- i. Chairs: Syed/Connie
- ii. Date: July 18, 2023

- iii. Format: Virtual

Discussion: none

D. 4<sup>th</sup> CLE Timely Topics

- i. Chairs: Sunah/Tom
- ii. Date: Likely last week of 2023 (Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday)
- iii. Format: Hybrid (in-person and virtual)

Discussion: want to wait until the agenda for IP institute and licensing CLE are set.

V. ITEMS FROM THE FEBRUARY MEETINGS:

- A. Scholarship: \$5000 for each school; total \$15000; against the budget of \$14000.

Discussion: We are proposing to use the unbudgeted fund. **Dario will send the memo to WSBA noting the budget change.** Ethan has contacted Sarah from Gonzaga University. The process involves the submission of a Writing sample from applicants, review and decision. We need to let the school the scholarship amount. The scholarship is for IP-track law students only.

VI. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Discussion: Solicitation has gone out. However, we didn't hit March 1 deadline. We are nominating Carrie Lofts for the position that Carrie is in now. Carrie's term will end on Sept. 2024. Syed is nominated for the treasurer position, and Sunah and Ethan remain in their positions. Two other candidates are Johanna Thomlinson from Lee & Hayes and Ian Crosby from Susman Godfrey.

- A. Motion: Ethan moved to suspend the WSBA rule to allow the late email solicitation blast.  
Second: Brooke  
Vote: all Ayes
- B. Motion: Roney moved to approve Sayed, Ian, Johana, and Carrie to be accepted as the nominees for the ballots  
Second: Roney  
Vote: all Aye.

VII. WSBA LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- A. Ethan Vodde is the WSBA Outreach & Legislative Affairs Coordinator

Discussion: The privacy act dies on the floor.

VIII. ADJOURN: 4:38 pm