

WSBA IP Section
Executive Committee Meeting
03/16/2017
Meeting Minutes:

- I. BOARD MEMBERS:
 - A. Elizabeth Reilly (ER) (Chair); Kevin Zeck (KZ) (Chair-Elect); Tom Satagaj (TS) (Secretary-Treasurer); Reena Ghosh (RG) (Immediate Past Chair); Stuart Dunwoody (SD); Reid Johnson (RJ); Patchen Haggerty (PH); Makalika Nahowala'a (MN)
 - B. SECTION LIAISON: Joe Terrenzio (JT), James Doane (JD)
 - C. WSBA CLE LIAISON: Sondra Livingston-Carr (SLC)

- II. ATTENDEES:
 - A. Board:
 - i. Phone: KZ, TS, RJ.
 - B. Others:
 - i. Phone: JT, JD.

- NOT IN ATTENDANCE:
 - C. Board: ER, RG, SD, PH, MN;
 - D. Others: SLC.

- III. CALL TO ORDER: 12:04 PM PST by KZ (ER has family emergency; KZ will preside)

- IV. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 22, 2017 MINUTES
 - A. Feb. 22, 2017 Minutes distributed via email by TS on Mar. 1, 2017 with no subsequent changes requested;
 - B. No additional comments;
 - C. Minutes approved by consensus for entry into the record.

- V. BUDGET
 - A. No discussion.

- VI. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSITION AND ELECTIONS
 - A. Elections were not held at Annual Institute
 - B. Summary of elective term as per current bylaws (§§ 3.06, 5.07)
 - i. Each EC Officer may serve only one (1) term in the same EC Officer position & must step down from EC for one (1) year or longer before again filling the same EC Officer role;
 - ii. Each Non Officer EC member may serve up to two (2) consecutive two (2) year terms for a potential total of four (4) years;
 - iii. EC terms run October 1 through September 30.
 - C. Current EC members in transition; (1st year of service)
 - i. There will be three at-large positions open in 2017-18;
 - 1. JN (John Nelson) (2015) has already resigned as EC member;
 - 2. RG (2013) as past-chair will roll off the EC in 2017;
 - 3. SD (2014) will roll off the EC in 2017;
 - ii. RJ (2014) was voted by EC as incoming Secretary-Treasurer in 2017-18;
 - iii. TS (2014) is current Secretary-Treasurer thereby extending his EC term;

- iv. ER (2015) is current Chair
 - v. KZ (2015) is current Chair-elect;
 - vi. PH (2015) is current member at large (elected 2015, Class 1);
 - vii. MN (2016) is current member at large (elected 2016, Class 2).
- D. Summary of EC candidate nominations as per current bylaws
- i. Chairperson may appoint a Nominating Committee of 3 or more Section members that are not members of the EC;
 - ii. Nominating Committee shall nominate persons to fill role(s) of EC at-large member.
- E. The gathered EC discussed prospective members of a Nominating Committee
- i. Whitney Stowe (K&L Gates);
 - ii. Jim Baunach (Seed IP);
 - iii. Jerry Riedinger (Perkins Coie);
 - iv. KZ and TS will advance this process with candidates and with ER to form committee.
- F. The gathered EC identified prospective EC candidates to pass to Nominating Committee
- i. Dario Machleidt at Kilpatrick (Kevin);
 - ii. Brooke Quist at Seed (Tom);
 - iii. Julianne Henley at Garvey (Makalika) good candidate, recently had baby so available time may be limited;
 - iv. Pete Becker at Amazon;
 - v. Matthew Moersfelder at DWT;
 - vi. Karin Swope at Keller Rohrback;
- G. Election process
- i. JT confirmed that SurveyMonkey can be used by Section members to vote;
 - ii. JT confirmed that anonymous votes can be tied to email addresses;

VII. IP SECTION CLES:

- A. **FY 2017 – Annual Institute held March 10, 2017, as reported by KZ:**
- i. TS filled in as co-chair in ER’s absence;
 - ii. About 100 paid attendees plus faculty and staff;
 - iii. WSBA staff was pleasantly surprised because other sections have precipitous drops in attendance, mainly due to elimination of live attendance requirement;
 - iv. In 2011-12, we were getting ~200 attendees;
 - v. Live meeting format will need to be reconsidered next year;
 - vi. Judge Settle provided a great keynote at lunch;
 - vii. Many positive feedback comments addressed the high quality of the speakers and presentations;
 - viii. One of the nationally recognized speakers (Mike McCabe) generously sponsored first drinks at the post-CLE Meet & Greet;
 - ix. Scholarships were awarded & well deserved; students were appreciative;
 - x. Gonzaga scholarship will be awarded next fall at Inland empire
- B. **FY 2017 – Licensing CLE confirmed for Aug. 25, 2017, as reported by TS:**
- i. TS & RG are chairs;
 - ii. Two (2) speakers tentatively accepted so far
 - iii. Venue: WSBA Conference Room (WCC);
 - iv. Planning by TS and RG is ongoing
- C. **FY 2017 - IP Essentials CLE:**
- i. ER will chair; co-chair not yet named;

- ii. Venue: WSBA Conference Room (WCC);
- iii. Date: Friday, September 29, 2017;

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. Changes to WSBA Legal directory & website;
 - i. KZ: EC will have some participation, but limited
 - ii. KZ: IP Section has been asked by WSBA for input as to whether Section membership information should be a searchable feature on WSBA website;
 - iii. TS: Suggestion that IP Section member information should be available as a searchable feature and IP section members should have an opportunity to opt-out;
 - iv. JT described how opt-in/opt-out features may be implemented;
 - v. KZ: Some members may want to have anonymity;
 - vi. KZ: We don't want third-parties to be able to crawl IP Section member information and harass them;
 - vii. JT: Thank you for the good and accurate feedback that will be added to the master list

- B. BOG Candidates Forum was held on March 1, 2017;
 - i. TS: Attended by webinar; only a small number of candidates attended and answered questions
 - ii. TS: Suggest that IP EC send timely updates to members encouraging participation in the process by voting;
 - iii. RG: Agree IP EC should send updates;
 - iv. KZ: Agree IP EC should send updates without taking position on any candidate;
 - v. JT: BOG elected positions are by congressional district;
 - vi. JT: The at-large & president-elect are appointed by BOG;
 - vii. JT: There is an opportunity to nominate or self-nominate prospective candidate(s);
 - viii. JT: Nomination is April 20;
 - ix. JT: Review & appointment is made on May 18-19 at the BOG Seattle meeting;
 - x. JT: More detailed information is available on the BOG elections page of the WSBA website.

- C. Conforming IP Section Bylaws to BOG approved Article 11 amendments
 - xi. TS: About 25% of the changes are prepared;
 - xii. TS: Suggestion to finish draft changes for EC review and, after approval, propagate the draft changes to IP Section membership;
 - xiii. JT: WSBA sent out some initial REDLINES today to help advance the process.

IX. ADJOURN: 12:48 PM PST by KZ.

X. March 31, 2017:

- A. KZ presented certain details regarding a joint networking event proposal from the Washington State Patent Lawyers Association (WSPLA);
- B. KZ: The networking event would be sponsored by the WSBA IP Section and the IP Inn of Courts;
- C. KZ: WSPLA is seeking IP EC participation in promoting the program and no financial or other resources of the IP Section are requested or required;
- D. KZ: Motion to have the IP Section participate in the WSPLA's event as requested by sending at least one invitation to the IP Section members regarding the event;
- E. RJ: Motion is seconded;

- F. RJ, MN, SD, PH, RG, TS, KZ voted to approve;
- G. KZ will coordinate with WSPLA to support the joint networking event.