

WSBA IP Section
Executive Committee Meeting
10/21/2021
Meeting Minutes

I. BOARD MEMBERS:

Karin Swope (KS) (Immediate Past Chair); Brooke Quist (BQ) (Chair); Dario Machleidt (DM) (Vice Chair); Rodney Tullett (RT) (Secretary-Treasurer); Connie Wan (CW); Sally White Harmeling (SWH); Syed Abedi (SA); Sunah Lee (SL); Ethan Vodde (EV)

- A. YOUNG LAWYER LIAISON: Jack Chang (JC);
- B. SECTION LIAISON: Carolyn MacGregor (CM)
- C. BOG LIAISON: Bryn Peterson (BP)
- D. WSBA CLE LIAISON: Miriam Gordon

In attendance: Brook Quist (President), Connie Wan, Dario Machleidt, Rodney Tullett, Sally Harmeling, Sunah Lee, Syed Abedi, Ethan Vodde and Carolyn MacGregor (WSBA Liaison)

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting commenced at 4:03 p.m.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER, 2021 MINUTES
Minutes were approved.

III. IP SECTION CLES

- A. Eastern WA Mini-CLE (IEIP – Inland Empire IP Institute) - 2021
 - i. Chairs: Sally Harmeling, Ethan Vodde
 - ii. 2-Hour Mini-CLE
 - iii. Date: TBD
- B. 27th Annual IP Institute – April 29, 2020
 - i. Chairs: Brooke Quist, Dario Machleidt
 - ii. Date: TBD
- C. IP Licensing CLE –
 - i. Chairs: Connie Wan, Syed Abedi
 - ii. Date: TBD
- D. 4th CLE Timely Topics In IP
 - i. Chairs: Rodney Tullett, Sunah Lee
 - ii. Date: TBD

IV. Nominating Committee Update

- A. We need to elect a new nominating committee. Typically, it is at least four people, with at least two current board members and at least two past members.

This year's nominating committee will be Brooke Quist, Connie Wan, Dario Machleidt, Sally Harmeling

- V. Section Budget submitted in June – Update
 - A. CW, BQ, KS worked on budget.
 - B. Bar had two drop in sessions to discuss budget, answer questions.
 - C. Bar provided last year’s budget, expected to fill out this year’s budget
 - D. IP Section is well funded. Excess savings in the bank. Did not spend money on social events due to Covid.
 - E. Budget – estimate how much money you want/need for each area, and that’s approved by WSBA
 - F. If you don’t spend, you don’t lose it; if need more, request it from WSBA.
 - G. Section made money on in-person attendance. Made / makes more as people buy recorded CLEs.
 - H. Consider – offer free membership when people attend CLEs. Consider other reach-out opportunities for the Section.

2021 Budget Issues: The 2022 committee budget is 38,930, which is 7,500 less than last year but we have plenty of money in our account.

We make the majority of our funds from the purchase of on line CLEs that are available for 3 years.

- VI. WSBA LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
 - A. KS is on the WSBA Outreach & Legislative Affairs Coordinator list to receive updates via Russell Johnson (RussellJ@wsba.org); Pass on to ??
 - B. Washington Privacy Act – Update (n/a)

WSBA legislative affairs: Karen Swope did this last year and Ethan Vodde has agreed to take her place.

- VII. Social
 - A. Original Plan was to partner with corporate counsel section’s next quarterly event
 - B. Consider new idea for bringing constituency together for 2022

There is a tentative in-person get together set for the week of Nov. 15 at the Columbia Tower Club. To be scheduled for later date.

- VIII. Membership Drive Events
 - A. Number of IP Section members has decreased. Used to be at 1,000. Now around 825-830.
 - B. We have excess budget. What are some non-CLE events that we can provide to increase interest in membership in the IP section?

Membership: Our membership is down to 825-830 members from 1000 in years past.

It was suggested that we conduct a survey of members to see what they would like from our section. Purely social functions haven’t been popular in the past.

- IX. New Arrivals
 - A. Syed Abedi

- B. Sunah Lee
- C. Ethan Vodde

X. OTHER ITEMS:

- A. No other items were discussed.

XI. NEXT MEETING

- A. Confirm 3rd Thursday in November, 18th at 4 pm.

XII. ADJOURN: Meeting was adjourned at 3:40