

Minnesota State Bar Association - ADR Section Meeting
December 9, 2008

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:00 p.m. Attendee list attached.

1. Chair Notes. John Schulz welcomed attendees and asked all to introduce themselves.
2. Officer/Committee Reports.
 - a. Minutes. The minutes of the November 11, 2008 meeting were approved.
 - b. Treasurer. David Lauth presented the Treasurer's Report; assets remain at approximately \$15,900. The Grant Program application deadline has been changed to January 15.
3. SelectADR. David Allgeyer reported that the trial with the website worked well, was easily searchable, and easy to use. Notices to sign up for this website will be sent to section members in the first quarter of 2009.
4. Reminder. "Cooperative Practice: A New Technique to Negotiate Cases Successfully" will be presented at noon at the MSBA offices on January 16, 2009, a co-sponsored program of the ADR Section, Hamline and William Mitchell.
5. Other Business.

Rule 3 of the Student Practice Rules went to the Supreme Court. A proposed rule on ADR observation is being worked on by a subcommittee of the section and may be ready for presentation at the January section meeting.

The Civic Education Committee is launching a pilot Peer Mediation program at Patrick Henry High School in January. The ADR Section may want to consider co-sponsoring and participating in this activity; more information to come.

Legislation is being proposed for a homeowner mediation act modeled along the lines of the Farmer-Lender Mediation Act. The section will monitor this development.

The Minneapolis Department of Civil Rights is looking for volunteer mediators and section members are encouraged to apply if interested.

6. Program: Construction ADR. Bob Huber, Jocelyn Knoll and Bill Hull gave a lively presentation on Construction ADR practices, including the unique Minnesota "blind mediation" style frequently used in construction mediations.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Madge S. Thorsen, Secretary

Attendees:

David A Allgeyer	
Paul J Beckman	
Christopher H Beirise	
Jodi A Beste	
Gregory M Bistram	
Reginald W Bowerman	teleconference
Michelle L Brenno	teleconference
Susanna M Cole	teleconference
David M Cullen	
Cameron D Davis	teleconference
Janelle J Ehrenstrom	
Dwain E Fagerlund	teleconference
Kristin L Folsom	
Eric W Forsberg	
William B Gavzy	
William E Gschwind	
Gary L Hansen	teleconference
Donald C Hill	teleconference
Robert J Huber	
William D Hull	
Taneeza S Islam	
Michael D Klemm	teleconference
Jocelyn L Knoll	
David J Lauth	
Debbie Ledvina	teleconference
Leslie Sinner McEvoy	
Linda M Mealey-Lohmann	
Ken Myers	teleconference
J William Norton	teleconference
Ross Oden	teleconference
Janie C Paulson	
Jane L Prince	
Dee Rowe	
Kristin R Sarff	
John R Schulz	
Robert J Shainess	
Dan Simon	
Thomas F Surprenant	
Dean B Thomson	
Madge S Thorsen	
Bradley C Thorsen	
Colin J Wicker	
Lucas D Wilson	