

**MSBA COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY LAW SECTION
MINUTES — COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 13, 2010**

Katheryn Andresen – A
Miguel Azar (Chair) – P
James A. Blomquist – P
Bob Boerschel – A
Kevin S. Brady – P
Charles P. Brink – P
Stephen W. Buckingham – P
John J. Carney – P
James C. Evans (Vice Chair) – P
Paul W. Godfread – A
Christopher Hilberg – P
Michael Lawyer – A
Alycia R. Kirkevold – E
Patrick Middon – A

Jamie Nafziger – P
Allen J. Oh (Secretary) – P
Damien Riehl (Immed. Past Chair) – P
Carolyn M. Sandberg – A
Todd Schenk (Treasurer) -- E
Thomas R. Sheran – A
John Taft – E
Steven Burt Toeniskoetter – E
Daniel A. Tysver – P
Kari Wangensteen – E
Heather Yunke – P

P= Present A= Absent w/o excuse E=Absent w/excuse

ALSO ATTENDING: Jon Farnsworth, Charles Johnson, Paul Luehr, Michael Luzum

I. Call to Order: 11:41am

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Allen Oh. Minutes approved without modifications.

III. Treasurer's Report: Todd Schenk – Todd was not here, but submitted the following report. During February 2010, we received \$12.50 of revenues and incurred \$48.25 of expenses. We have not received bills for catering for the past two statements, and expects that we might see some charges in the next statement or two. The ending balance was \$7118.18 as of February 28, 2010, compared with \$9167.52 on February 28, 2009.

IV. Preliminary Matters: Miguel Azar.

- a. **Thanks for participation in LPRB.** The Section expressed its thanks to Damien Riehl for his work on the LPRB proposed opinion regarding metadata.
- b. **Letter from MSBA regarding raising dues.** The Section has received a letter from the MSBA asking whether the Section wishes to raise its membership dues. The consensus was that we should leave dues where they are.

- c. **Election Committee** -- Chip Brink. Ballots were distributed at today's meeting (they were also sent to the membership by email on April 9). Damien Riehl was inadvertently omitted from the ballot due to a typographical error. Chip and the committee strongly encourages the membership to write his name in on the ballot.

V. Assignment of CLEs and Round Tables.

- a. Case Law: Jim Blomquist. Noted a trademark decision 3/18/10. Trial lawyers' group (ATLA) decided to change its name to American Assn. for Justice.
- b. Membership/Student Outreach: Todd Schenk. No report.
- c. Patent: Chris Hilberg & Dan Tysver. Still waiting for Bilski decision.
- d. Privacy & Data Security: Kari Wangensteen & Paul Luehr: Paul is presenting after the meeting.
- e. Legislative: Allen Oh. No report.
- f. Contracts: Miguel Azar. No report.

VI. Other Events.

- a. 2010 CLI: Chris Evans. We met with Liz, who will come out with tentative schedule, which we will update. The CLI is scheduled for October 28.
- b. 2010 Annual Meeting: Chris Evans. Everything is pretty much set. The Nicollet Island Inn needs a final count by early May.
- c. Section Blog: Kevin Brady. Miguel opined that the "Purpose" section on the blog doesn't make much sense. It was suggested that we change the language in the Purpose section be changed to match the language from Article I, Section 2, of the Bylaws, which is a statement of purpose for the Section. This change is proposed to be implemented along with other updates to website. Chris Evans stated that he doesn't really like the language in the Bylaws either. Chris and Miguel will develop a new Purpose section for the blog. Kevin Brady noted that the blog also has a practice links section and that we should populate it with some useful links, *e.g.*, USPTO, etc. Kevin invited suggestions for links. Paul Luehr has something for privacy/security issues.
- d. Nominations/Bylaws: Chip Brink. Nothing further, see above.

VII. Writing Contest Scholarship. Damien Riehl. No update.

VIII. Scheduling of next meeting: May 11, 2010, 5-7pm, Nicollet Island Inn.

IX. Adjourn: 11:55am.