

**MSBA COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY LAW SECTION**  
**MINUTES — COUNCIL MEETING**  
**FEBRUARY 9, 2010**

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

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

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

**ALSO ATTENDING:** Charles Johnson, Michael Marzano (phone), Michael Remington, John Schragar, Mike Trittipio, Ann Wilichowski

**I. Call to Order: 11:42am**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Allen Oh. Minutes approved.

**II. Treasurer's Report:** Todd Schenk. During December 2009, we received \$25 of revenues and incurred \$1,124.68 of expenses, the majority of which was \$873 for catering the December meeting (about \$460) and half of the November meeting (split with the Business Law Section) (about \$413). The ending balance was \$7,311.74 as of December 31, 2009, compared with \$9,825.89 on December 31, 2008. Tram looked for less expensive catering options for the January 2010 meeting.

**III. Preliminary Matters:** Miguel Azar.

- a. MSBA Haiti effort request – MSBA would like us to contribute from our funds, \$100 or more. Jim Blomquist said that a lot of money donated for tsunami relief

is still unspent because it can't get to people efficiently. He also noted that such a contribution would be unrelated to legal issues and expressed concern with supporting anything more than \$100. Steve Buckingham raised the question of who would administer in Haiti. Tram Nguyen replied that any donations would go to the MSBA Foundation, but did not know who would administer the funds in Haiti. She also noted that MSBA is looking for 100% participation from all sections. Jim Blomquist moved we contribute \$100. Chris Evans stated that we would need Todd Schenk's treasurer's report to justify more than \$100. (AJO: we received the report after I returned from the meeting) Steve seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

- b. LPRB 22 comment request – Damien Riehl presented on this topic after the business meeting. Chip Brink stated that for the section to take a position on this issue, we would need to submit the position through MSBA. However, Steve Buckingham noted that this not needed, as long as the position is not opposed to any MSBA position on the issue. Note, we can take positions that are opposed to positions taken by other *sections*. We would need to submit a proposed position to MSBA Bd. Of Governors if we want the MSBA as a whole to take a position. Chip Brink raised the question of how we would know whether a position is in opposition to an MSBA position. Damien related certain other requirements, including the need to approve a position by a quorum or according to section bylaws. Jim Blomquist noted that our section could frame our position as “concerns” rather than opposition to an MSBA position.
- c. Law School Outreach -- Todd Schenk was not present. Chris Evans raised the issue of attendance and free lunch for law students at our CLEs. Chip Brink suggested that, for now, we should let students attend and eat for free. Damien Riehl moved and Chris Evans seconded for free lunch/attendance for law students. Motion passed.
- d. Election Committee formation -- Chip Brink stated that we need three people, including Chip and Miguel Azar, to form the Election Committee. Chip noted a need for more women on the council. Steve Buckingham volunteered to serve on the Election Committee. Chip distributed interest forms, which are due March 26.

**IV. Assignment of CLEs and Round Tables. All of these were skipped for this meeting.**

- a. Case Law: Jim Blomquist.
- b. Membership/Student Outreach: Todd Schenk.
- c. Patent: Chris Hilberg & Dan Tysver, Co-Chairs.

- d. Privacy & Data Security: Kari Wangensteen.
- e. Legislative: Allen Oh.
- f. Contracts: Miguel Azar.

**V. Other Events.**

- a. 2010 CLI: Chris Evans.
- b. 2010 Annual Meeting: Chris Evans. we have a speaker, Niels Schauman from the University of Minnesota. The meeting will be at the usual time on May 11. The facilities are under new management, and the food options will be different.
- c. Section Blog: Kevin Brady. No update.
- d. Nominations/Bylaws: Chip Brink. See above.

**VI. Writing Contest Scholarship.** Damien Riehl: no report.

**VII. Adjourn: 11:59am.**