

MINUTES OF THE MINNESOTA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW SECTION COUNCIL'S
MONTHLY MEETING

October 2, 2008

Place:

Minnesota State Bar Association Office

Attendance:

Brian Davis, Greg Korstad, Thad Lightfoot, Joe Maternowski, Charlie Nauen, Sara Peterson, Aleava Sayre, Dan Schleck, Jeff Sepesi, Carolyn Wolski, and David Zoll.

Call to Order

Chair Wolski called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

Minutes

The minutes of the September, 2008 meeting were approved.

Financial Report

Treasurer Schleck reported that the Section had not received any updated financial information since the last meeting.

New Business

- A. Open Council Positions: Chair Wolski reported that two members of the Council had resigned: Deborah Muehlbauer, who has relocated to Wisconsin, and Brian Pasko, who is taking a position with the Sierra Club in Portland, Oregon. The Council offered one of the vacant seats to Aleava Sayre of Leonard, Street and Deinard, who had the next-highest number of votes in last spring's Council election; Ms Sayre accepted the position. It was decided that the other open position would be offered to Steve Nyhus of Flaherty & Hood, who received the next-highest number of votes in the election.
- B. MSBA Law Student Networking Reception: Four Council members volunteered to attend this event on Tuesday, October 27: Brian Davis, Thad Lightfoot, Joe Maternowski and Aleava Sayre.
- C. Other: Chair Wolski announced that she changed positions effective October 1, 2008, and is now general counsel for Michael Foods, Inc.

Continuing Business

- A. Subcommittees: The chair distributed a list of subcommittees formed for the 2008-09 years.
- B. Law Student Reception: The annual pizza and beer reception for law students will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 22, at

Dorsey's offices. Council members Thad Lightfoot, Sara Petersen, Dan Schleck and Joe Maternowski agreed to help get the word out to the law schools.

- C. CLEs:
1. The annual Agency Update will take place Thursday, Nov. 13, at the offices of Fredrikson & Byron.
 2. The annual Environmental Institute has been locked in for Thursday, April 23, 2009. Thad Lightfoot reported that we will use the same general format as in years past, including a "basics" track.
- D. Newsletter: Dave Zoll reported that the newsletter will be delayed. Aleava Sayre expressed interest in possibly assuming Brian Pasko's role as co-editor of the newsletter.
- E. Website: Dan Schleck led a discussion of possible improvements the Section could make to its website. These included adding photographs of Council members, information on the Section's One-Hour CLE Series, helpful links to other websites, podcasts and photographs taken at Section events. It was agreed that we will try to take pictures of Council members at the November meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.