

IP Section
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2019 at 12:00pm

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201 3rd St NW #1950, Albuquerque, NM 87109 (19th Floor of US Eagle Building)

Directors in attendance: Kevin Soules (Chair); Svitlana Anderson (Chair-Elect); Justin Muehlmeier (Secretary); Ian Bezpalko (Budget Officer); Jeffrey Albright; Beate Boudro; Marco Santamaria.

Others in attendance: Breanna Henley (State Bar).

1. Call to Order/Roll Call:
 - Quorum called at 12:15.
2. Approval of Agenda:
 - Approved.
3. Review of 2018
 - Kevin discussed the various activities of the IP Section in 2018 and proposed doing the same activities in 2019, plus anything else the Section might want to do. Given the amount of work the Pro Bono IP Fair was in 2018 and that we want to do that again, the Board probably does not want to take on much more but is of course open to all requests and ideas.
4. Approval of minutes from 2018 Annual Meeting
 - Approved.
5. Election of 2019 Officers
 - Chair Elect: Svitlana Anderson was elected Chair-Elect by the Board.
 - Budget Officer: Ian Bezpalko was elected Budget Officer by the Board.
 - Secretary: Justin Muehlmeier was elected Secretary by the Board.
6. Appointment of liaisons
 - CLE Liaison: the Board tabled this appointment for discussion at the next meeting.
 - Website Liaison: Justin Muehlmeier was appointed. This position's duties were discussed, including coordinating substantive articles for the website since our New Mexico Lawyer magazine insert is not available this year, and to upload all minutes from the past year.
7. Treasurer's Budget Report
 - Ian Bezpalko reported that there has been no new accounting from the State Bar since late October (as is typical for year end) and that we have an estimated balance of \$1,982.43. Our membership at the end of last year was 67 members and is

currently, as of January 22, 2019, 43 members. It is expected that more members will sign up as the annual due registration deadline in February comes.

8. 2019 Budget discussion

- The Board discussed the goals of the Section that would need funding, including the annual CLE (cost unknown as of yet), the Pro Bono Fair (cost for tables and refreshments was \$345.65) and the Law School Mixer (the reception having cost \$409 last year).

9. 2019 Objectives

- Discussed in relation to Agenda Item 8.

10. New business

- Marco Santamaria announced he must step down as law school liaison due to his extern commitment at the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and to allow other students the opportunity to participate as a board member of the IP Section. The board commended him for his exemplary dedication and numerous long-serving members stated that he was the most engaged and active student they ever saw on the Board. Marco recommended two names (Jared and Savannah) as potential student board members who might want to participate as co-members. The Board considered whether it should amend the Bylaws to permit two student members on the Board, but tabled that discussion for later pending Kevin Soule's and Svitlana Anderson's discussion with the two potential student board members.

11. Meeting Schedule

- The Board agreed that Board meetings shall continue to occur on the same schedule, which is the fourth Tuesday of every month.

12. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 12:45.