

**IDAHO STATE BAR
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION**

May 16, 2013

MINUTES:

In Attendance:

Elizabeth Herbst Schierman – Chair (by phone)
Jeffrey Parry – Treasurer
Dana Herberholz
Matthew Gordon
Jacob Pierson
Robert Winkle
John Zarian
Kennedy Luvai
Benjamin Hoopes
Matthew Montgomery (by phone)
Tom Vasseur (by phone)
Tami Wahl (by phone)

Business:

1. Review of March 2013 Meeting Minutes. Minutes approved.
2. Financials Report – Jeff Perry, the Section Treasurer, delivered a report on the financial state of the Section.
3. Scholarship 2013 Announcement – Dana Herberholz reported on the activities of Scholarship Committee. It was reported that the Scholarship 2013 eligibility criteria has been opened up to Concordia law students, as well as University of Idaho law students. The official Scholarship Announcement is expected to be issued within the week.
4. Section-sponsored issue of THE ADVOCATE. Membership reminded that the next issue to be sponsored by the Section is the October 2013 issue and that the article submission deadline is Aug. 14, 2013. Request for author volunteers.
5. Call for CLE presenters, presentation ideas, or referrals. Specifically, there was a call for speakers on topics related to software and IP for a potential multi-speaker CLE event (possibly for August 2013). Namely, the Section seeks speaker volunteers on topics such as:
 - (1) open source IP;
 - (2) software or computer-implemented invention patent protection; or
 - (3) other software-and-IP related topic

6. Call for Nominees for Section Officer Positions (Chair, Northern Vice Chair, Southern Vice Chair, Eastern Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer). Nomination period is now open, and nominations accepted until elections, which will be held at next meeting.
 - A nomination for Tom Vasseur for the position of Northern Vice Chair was accepted.
 - Other nominations are requested to be submitted by email to the current Chair.

7. Section Meetings Schedule and Officer Term – The Chair proposed moving the regularly-scheduled Section meetings from the odd months to the even months for several reasons including avoiding a conflict with the annual ISB meeting in July, to better position Section Officers to take office and be trained by Practice Council before having to run first meeting, and to be better positioned to address matters raised at Practice Council meetings. On a related front, it was proposed to adjust the Officer’s term of office from Aug. 1– Jul. 31 to Sep. 1–Aug. 31. The proposal was discussed. A motion was entertained and approved unanimously to move the regularly scheduled meetings to the even months and to begin the new schedule with our next meeting, at which elections would take place. Therefore, there will be no meeting in June and July, and the next Section meeting (with Officer elections) will be in August.

8. The next meeting was announced – third Thursday of August 2013

9. No other old or new business was discussed.

CLE Presentation

Dana Herberholz – Parsons, Behle & Latimer – presented (0.5 hr CLE) on the topic of *Can a Company Patent Your Genes? Potential Implications of the Supreme Court’s Forthcoming Opinion in AMP v. Myriad Genetics*

Adjourned