

Intellectual Property Law Section Minutes  
December 16, 2021  
12:00 -1:00 PM  
Via Web Conference

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- Welcome
- Introductions
- Items for Vote:
  - October 21, 2021 meeting minutes
    - Motion: to approve October meeting minutes (Mike Englesby); Second (Tim Murphy)
    - Motion carries: meeting minutes from October 21 approved
- Previous Business:
  - Advocate Sponsorship
    - We are approved to sponsor the September 2022 issue of *The Advocate*
    - Timeline:
      - July 13, 2022 = deadline for article submissions
      - July 20, 2022 = Editorial Advisory Board meeting
      - August 1, 2022 = deadline for final revisions
    - Author Guidelines to be circulated soon by ISB
    - We need ~6 articles for the issue—prior volunteers:
      - A few folks volunteered back in October 2020 when initially voted to sponsor an issue—I will reach out to them.
      - Any new volunteers? Please email Matt Harvey to volunteer.
      - Solicit one or more student articles?
        - Tim Murphy will email students.
- Scholarships
  - Certification Course Scholarship
    - For section members for certain eligible expenses (e.g., patent bar study materials and exam fees, other licensing courses or CLE opportunities).
    - \$1,000 pool for awards up to \$500 per recipient
    - No applications received by the extended Aug. 31 deadline, so we extended further.
      - One application has since been received
    - Update from Scholarship Committee
      - Motion: to make “financial hardship” requirement for scholarship a consideration for award as opposed to a prerequisite (Elizabeth Schierman); Second (Jacob Pierson)
      - Motion carries: financial hardship will be considered when awarding scholarship.
      - Motion: to provide IP Section members opportunity to approve criteria and amount of Certification Course Scholarship (Tony Baca) Second (Elizabeth Schierman)
      - Motion carries: IP Section members will have opportunity to weigh in on approval of criteria and amount of Certification Course Scholarship.
- Patent Agent Members
  - Our bylaws don’t specifically mention patent agents
    - They just say “Members of the general public” – can be non-voting members
    - Do we want to specifically mention “patent agents” or leave as-is?
      - Same for law professors, law clerks, and law students?
    - What dues level would we want to charge patent agents?

- ISB website breaks things down for \$40 for standard, \$20 for law professors and law clerks, and free for law students
    - Should we specify patent agent dues level separately on the ISB website?
  - Reserved discussion for next meeting
- CLE PRESENTATION
  - John Kirkpatrick – USPTO Patent Pro Bono Team : “*An Overview of the Patent Pro Bono Program and of Professional Responsibility and Practice Before the USPTO*”
    - 1 hour presentation
    - Please see <https://www.uidaho.edu/law/outreach/patent-pro-bonoprogram/volunteer-attorney-info> or [www.uspto.gov/probonopatents](http://www.uspto.gov/probonopatents) for more information on how to volunteer
- Open call for Section meeting CLE speakers / topics – January and onward
- Good of the Order
- Adjourn

Attendees:

Matthew Harvey  
 Alex Hodson  
 Tim Murphy  
 Mike Englesby  
 Chantell Abou-Hamdan  
 Steve Johnson  
 Tony Baca  
 Elizabeth Schierman  
 Matt Wade  
 Matt Whipple  
 Colin Honan  
 Jeff Parry  
 Jacob Pierson  
 Ryan Marshall  
 Keegan Hahn