

State Bar Association of Michigan
General Practice Section

Minutes of Council Meeting of April 19, 2007

Present were: William Roy, Chair, Clark Davis, Secretary, Freddy Sackllah, Elizabeth A. Silverman, and Maury Klein. The absences of Richard White, Pamela Beeghly, and William Cataldo were excused.

1. The meeting was called to order and the Minutes of the meeting of February 15, 2006 were approved upon motion of Silverman, seconded by Klein.
2. The Chair reported on his discussions concerning the 4th Annual Solo & Small Firm Institute & 72nd State Bar of Michigan Annual Meeting. A copy of the Final Schedule was circulated.

The status of the Section as a Founding Sponsor will be prominently displayed.

The request for the \$5000 sponsorship payment has been received.

The letter of appreciation is being sent to 2006 Institute attendees.

3. The Chair reported that the position of the Section on various proposals has been requested; due to the short time available for response, the following assignments were made after discussion of each item :

- a. Indigent client and indigent client defense fund -- imposing fee on bail. The Chair will respond and report back to the Council.

- b. Small Claims representation -- allowing attorneys to represent post-judgment for collection purposes. Silverman will respond and report back to the Council.

- c. Judicial Review of Health review board action --allowing health provider appeal to Circuit Court. Davis will respond and report back to the Council.

- d. Representative Assembly proposals to which Sackllah will respond :

1. Emeritus attorney referral fees--approve.
2. Specialized Court Dockets -- Criteria for evaluation by bar -- approve.
3. Electronic Discovery Rules -- approve.
4. Appointment of Masters -- oppose.

4. In the absence of the Treasurer, the Chair indicated that the most current balance was \$23,139.65.

5. A Newsletter Report were given by Klein. The next edition is in progress and expected by May 1, 2007.

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7. There being no further matters to discuss, the meeting was adjourned to May 17, 2007 at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Clark S. Davis, Secretary