

**Law Practice Management Section  
Business Meeting  
October 12, 2007**

- I. Attendance:** Among the members present were: Gary Bauer, Vince Romano, Mike Fraleigh, Joseph Ernst, Rebecca Seslar, Burt Burluson, Ernie Gifford, Nick D’Isa, Stacey Dinser, Barry Brickner, Kris Yockey
  
- II. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Gary Bauer at 9:31 a.m.
  
- III. Treasurer’s Report.** The Section Treasurer, Ernest Gifford delivered the Section’s Financial Report. He reported that the State Bar’s Final Report was anticipated by the end of the month for an end of the fiscal year report.
  
- IV. Approval of Minutes.** The minutes of the LPMS Business meeting of September 27, 2007 were approved after amendment to include “ratification” in lieu of “election” in Section VI. Motion to approve by Rebecca Seslar. Second by Joseph Ernst.
  
- V. Ratification and Election of Officers and Members.**
  - A) The Executive Committee voted to place Nick D’Isa as a new member on the LPMS Council. Nick D’Isa was nominated by the Chair, Gary Bauer. Approved unanimously.
  - B) Burt Burluson was voted to fill the Secretary’s Position. Nomination by Vince Romano. Second by Joseph Ernst. Approved unanimously.
  - C) Vince Romano was voted to fill the Treasurer’s position. Nomination by Stacey Dinser. Second by Rebecca Seslar. Approved unanimously.
  - D) Kris Yockey was nominated to fill a LPMS Council position for a term ending in 2010. Nomination by Rebecca Seslar. Second by Vince Romano. Approved unanimously.
  - E) Konnie Kustron(excused absence) was nominated to fill a LPMS Council position for a term ending in 2010. Nomination by Rebecca Seslar. Second by Joseph Ernst. Approved unanimously.
  - F) Chair, Gary Bauer noted that positions within the Executive Committee are filled by automatic rotation and that Austin

Anderson would be moving to the Vice-Chair position and that Rebecca Seslar would be moving to the Chair-Elect position.

G) Chair, Gary Bauer also noted the need for a law student member

**VI. LPMS By-Laws Rule-9 Fix.** Vince Romano discussed the newsletter and the necessity of a technical revision to the by-laws in order to comply with a rule imposed by the Supreme Court regarding remuneration in the exercise of a duty within a Section. One page five and page eight, two additions were proposed which would bring the Section into compliance with the Board of Commissioners' Resolution. Vince Romano indicated that amendments to the by-laws will allow the Section to produce a newsletter and allow for the reimbursement and expenditures previously incurred or made. It was further indicated that Ernie Gifford would be picking up the newsletter and coordinating its publication. After further discussion, a motion by Rebecca Seslar was made to adopt the changes to the by-laws. Second by Ernie Gifford. Approved unanimously.

**VII. Proposed Merger with Legal Administrators.** Chair, Gary Bauer discussed the continuing issue of the merger with the Legal Administrators Section and suggested an invitation to the Legal Administrators to attend meetings. A general discussion ensued about any long-term implications of a merger and various levels of membership within the LPMS. Chair, Gary Bauer discussed inviting an ex post facto representative from Legal Administrators Section to the next meeting. Gary requested to table the proposal and to invite a representative from the Dickinson, Wright Law Firm to the next meeting.

**VIII. Newsletter.** Ernie Gifford indicated that no newsletter was done at all last year. Ernie Gifford volunteered to take over and produce a newsletter, and a general discussion regarding publishing and distribution of future newsletters ensued including electronic distribution and utilizing the newsletter to attain new members.

**IX. Late Additions.**

A) Vince Romano announced that three ICLE partnerships, good for a year, were awarded during the State Bar Meeting to members of the State Bar.

B) Gary Bauer indicated that an issue at the State Bar was the presentation of substantive law issues between various sections and the ICLE.

C) Section Initiatives. Chair, Gary Bauer asked that members consider an initiative or initiatives to present for the coming year to be adopted by the LPMS and to be discussed at future meetings.

**X. Adjournment.** Joe Ernst made a motion to adjourn and Stacey Dinsler seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.