



HIPLA Board Meeting Minutes December 16, 2008

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In Attendance:

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Chris Shield
Steven Spears
Al Riddle
Joe Beauchamp
Randy Furlong
Carey Jordan
Natalie Wright

1. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting
Furlong moved, Shields seconded. Approved.
2. Treasurer's Report
As of the end of November, 2008, HIPLA has \$154,569.36 in its account. This includes payment of all major expenses for 2008. Significant additional payments were required in 2008 to pay accounting expenses for the past three years and to move the scholarship awards to the Fall. Also, because of Hurricane Ike and the rescheduling/relocation, the Fall Institute did not generate as much revenue as in the past. However, HIPLA's budget has it basically breaking even for 2009.
4. Old Business
 - Standing of HIPLA/Registered Agent
Re-registration will be completed this month with CT Corp. as the registered agent. The Secretary will be tasked each year with updating the officer/director information for HIPLA both with the State of Texas and with CT Corp.
5. New business
The board decided to not renew the HIPLA service mark.
The board also voted to appoint Sharon Israel to head an ad hoc committee to review the new set of model patent jury instructions proposed by Judge Michel's informal committee.

Comments are due by February 1, and thus proposed comments should be given to the board in advance of its January meeting.

6. Next Board Meeting date will be January 27.

Al Riddle moved and Chris Shield seconded for adjournment Meeting adjourned.

