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MINUTES HIPLA BOARD MEETING AUGUST 19, 2008

Those in attendance –

Marcella Watkins
Stephen Koch
Al Riddle (telecon)
Steven Spears
Michael Locklar (telecon)
Carey Jordan
Georgianna Witt Braden (telecon)
Randy Furlong
Natalie Wright
Joe Beauchamp (telecon)
Chris Shield (telecon)
Shawn Foster (telecon)
Jeff Johnson (telecon)
Yoo-Sun Park (telecon)

1. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

Jordon moved for acceptance; Koch seconded. All approved.

2. Treasurer's Report

The bank balance as of 1 August 2008 was \$154,881.26. Checks and deposits made since leave a balance as of the day of the meeting at \$151,372.10.

3. Committee Reports

- Entertainment

Ed Fein suggested a HIPLA viewing of Flash of Genius. The movie will not be released until October. Shane will work on this.

- Membership

As of the date of the meeting, membership renewals were such that there are currently 489 members, and 490 expired members.

The budget is based upon a membership of 600. Marcella will work with Mark to identify possible areas for expanding renewals and will circulate a list sorted by firms to the directors.

- **Lunches**

The August lunch will be at Ruth's Chris on August 28. Mike Locklar is speaking. There will be no September lunch because of the Fall Institute.

- **Scholarships**

Yoo-Sun reported that all three law schools have transitioned to have the scholarships awarded in the Fall semester. She expects having applications submitted by October 15 so that they can be approved at the November Board meeting. The recipients will be invited to the December lunch.

4. Old Business

- No final decision was reached on Howard Speight's attendance as delegate to the U.S. Bar EPO Liaison Committee annual meeting in The Hague in November. We will get an agenda for the meeting and vote at the next HIPLA meeting. If approved, we will have Howard give a lunch presentation on what transpired at the meeting. .
- For the small business seminar for inventors at U of H, Al Riddle had arranged to purchase the ABA's book on marketing inventors for a discount of \$9 per copy for 100 copies. However, ABA did not agree to the discount until after the seminar. The discount should be available for next year's seminar.

5. New Business

- There was concern about a possible use of the HIPLA website to obtain a mailing list to be used for political purposes by a local law firm. Marcella will look into changing the website format so that the mailing list cannot be obtained as easily. Marcella will also look into putting a disclaimer that the membership information is not to be used for non-HIPLA purposes.
- HIPLA lost its status as a business entity with the Texas Secretary of State's office. The reason for this is that the notice of renewal was sent to a registered agent who is no longer at the registered address. The lapse in registration does not impact HIPLA's ability to enter into contracts. Steven Spears will look into retaining CT Corp. as a registered agent. Other options include asking if U of H will serve, or having the task assigned to a HIPLA officer. Once a new registered agent is decided upon,

renewal will be straightforward, and only involve a small fee on the order of \$25.

- Because HIPLA will be sponsoring a dinner for the Federal Circuit judges in November, 2009, it was decided to not have the traditional judge's dinner in either February 2009 or February 2010.
- The lunch price for non-members is currently at a price that is less than the lunches typically cost. It was therefore voted to increase the price for guest lunches to \$75.

6. Next Board Meeting date – September 16, 2008 at Baker & Botts.
Koch moved for adjournment and Furlong seconded. Adjourned at 5:50.