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May 2014 Board Meeting

○ **Call to Order**

The meeting on May 27, 2014, was called to order by Howard Speight. The following people were in attendance:

Howard Speight
Joseph Beauchamp
Ted Ro
Carlyn Burton
Jason Sander
Tanya Chaney
Andrea Tran
Todd Bynum
Steve Boyd
Elizabeth King
Henry Griffin
Jennifer Sickler
Keana Taylor

○ **Approval of Minutes from April 2014 Board Meeting**

The April 2014 Annual Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. Todd moved to approve the minutes. Jason seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report – Keana Taylor

Income of 8158 (640 in new members and then approximately 50/50 in income from the golf tournament and luncheons) and expenses of 235.87 gave us a total account balance of 212419.82. It was noted that the check had been cut to UH for the Fall Institute. Additionally, Dorothy will invoice us this month. Budget preparation is about to occur.

Committee Reports

Fall Institute – Betsy King

Made progress on sponsorships for the Institute as a whole. There is a speaker lined up for women/diversity breakfast (topic: White Men and Role in Diversity as Diversity Partners), but there is a standard 4k fee plus travel expenses. Betsy and Jenny Salazar are looking for additional sponsors

because no budget for speaker fee or see if we can get a reduced fee.

Entertainment Committee – given by Ted Ro

Golf tournament went well. Numbers were slightly down (Ted believes).

Amicus – Pete Corcoran (reported by email)

Committee has a planning meeting set for Tuesday morning to work on the outline and begin drafting the brief for *Teva v. Sandoz*. Pete is contacting the respective attorneys for permission to file our brief. He doesn't see an issue with this.

Luncheons - Albert Liu

The next few luncheons are set. June is IOTY and potentially brad from SIPO. July 31 will have Kenyon speaking on sanctions (potential ethics credit). August is off. Sept will be Paul Krieger.

IOTY – Jennifer Sickler

The committee met last week and selected winner. Luncheon will be on June 26 at Morton's. Potentially going to have Brad present on SIPO meeting following a brief presentation from the inventor.

New Business

State Bar of Texas – Bar Leaders Conference is Aug 1-2 and they have asked that each attending bar association donate a door prize item having something to do with their city/area of interest (like local attraction tickets, etc.). Suggested tickets (2 adults and 2 children) to NASA, and Ted can get discount. Betsy moves, and Joe seconds that we donate tickets at cost of up to \$100.

State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting – Is June 26-27 at Austin Convention Center. The SBOT Resolutions Committee will meet on June 26 from 4-5 at Austin Hilton to consider the attached resolutions...We have been asked to provide up to 2 delegates from HIPLA to attend and vote at the meeting. Jason Sander has volunteered to attend (1 additional spot if anyone else is

interested). SBOT will not cover any costs for delegates, thus most reasonable if someone is already going to be there. First resolution involves whether the Texas Bar Journal should publish orders, requests, instructions of the Texas Supreme Court regarding the creation of task forces, committees, commissions or similar groups and requests for funding of such task forces, committees, commissions or similar groups. All were in favor with the resolution.

The second resolution whether the Texas Legislature should enact laws to delete any requirement for Limited Partnerships, Professional Associations or other entities to file Periodic Reports or Annual Reports with the Secretary of State's office if they are subject to under Texas State Franchise Reporting. Ted commented that this appears to eliminate a duplicate requirement. All are in favor with resolution.

June Board Meeting

Proposing June 17 with location TBD

Adjourn

Keana moved to adjourn the meeting. Jason seconded, and the motion passed.