

State Bar of Texas
Consumer Law Section
Advisory Council Meeting
June 23, 2005

Minutes

Members Attending: Charles Levy, Chad Baruch, Ricard Alderman, Steve James, Rich Tomlinson, Evin Dugas, Gary Norton, Andrew Sattler, Karen Kellett, Eboni Nelsen, Craig Jordan

Also Attending: Russell Burwell, David Gonzalez

Charles Levy reviewed our accomplishments for the previous year: establishment of the listserv, a good seminar, Doing Well by Doing Good, held in Dallas in November 2004, a limited decline in membership, and an excellent 3 hour CLE program at the State Bar Convention.

Richard Alderman reported that the Texas Journal of Consumer Law was now listed as an official law journal; that all back issues can be found online at the Journal's website; and that the Center for Consumer Law was in good financial shape. Additional articles from lawyers are needed for the journal.

Chad Baruch was appointed course director for the November CLE course, which will be held in Houston in November.

Chad Baruch presented the budget report. Section expenditures exceeded receipts by approximately \$2700 for 2004-05. Paid memberships declined by approximately 60 members. The November 2004 CLE seminar lost \$5,000. The end of year balance for the section's bank account was \$31,512.73.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the proposed budget of \$36,500 for next year, including \$5,000 for the November CLE Seminar.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the following slate of officers for next year: Chad Baruch-Chair Elect, Rick McElvaney-Treasurer-and Craig Jordan, Secretary.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the following members for terms expiring in 2008: Karen Kellet, Patricia Wilson, and Evin Dugas.

The annual retreat will be August 5-6 at the Marriott Courtyard in Arlington, Texas. The business meeting is scheduled to start at 8:00 a.m. on the 6th.

The meeting was adjourned.