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August 20, 2011 – Board Meeting Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President Anthony Matheny, and the following people were in attendance:

Anthony Matheny
Mark Chretien
Mike Locklar
Rob Edmond
Keena Taylor
Georgianna Witt Braden
Luke Culpepper
Carey Jordan
Charles Walker
Jennifer Carnahan
Ginny Salazar
Al Riddle

The June HIPLA Meeting minutes were reviewed for approval. Carey Jordan moved, and Georgianna Witt Braden seconded, and minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report –Shawn Foster provided an update and prior to July 31 HIPLA has collected \$30,450 in membership dues.

Mark Chretien provided an update on the membership, which is currently 422 members.

Discussion was held regarding member luncheons and it was agreed to have a member lunch in September and no member lunch in October.

A Fall HIPLA Happy Hour was discussed, and Shawn Foster moved, and Al Riddle seconded a motion for Luke Culpepper to schedule a Happy Hour in late October at St. Arnold's Brewery similar to the 2010 Happy Hour.

Mike Locklar provided an up date on the upcoming Federal Judges' Dinner, and noted that the committee was meeting and a date and location have not been determined. Preliminary budgeting anticipates 180 attendees at \$100 per member, and \$125 per non-member. Mike Locklar further suggested that the Judges' Dinner only take place every

other year, and HIPLA hold another type of event with Judges on the off years.

Anthony Matheny provided an update on the HIPLA scholarships. HIPLA is soliciting nominees from the three local law schools, and the Board should receive nominations for approval in December.

Georgianna Witt Braden discussed various long-range planning items including adjusting number or amount of scholarships, and changes to luncheons to be more efficient and less costly to HIPLA.

Selecting new HIPLA liaison to US/EPO and US/JPO talks was discussed, including the idea of having new liaison start for a transition period, which could lead to additional costs to HIPLA. It was agreed to ask memberships for volunteers for the US/EPO talks.

Keena Taylor raised the issue of HIPLA filing an Amicus Brief on *In re Lubben*. It was agreed that the information be sent to Steve Spears for review and suggestion from the Amicus Committee.

Next HIPLA Board meeting previously scheduled for September 27, 2011, to take place on October 6, 2011, at the HIPLA Fall Institute. The October HIPLA Board meeting tentatively moved to Tuesday, November 8, 2011.

Al Riddle moved to adjourn the meeting, Georgianna Witt Braden seconded, and motion passed.