

COLORADO BAR ASSOCIATION
Section of Taxation – Executive Council

May 28, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Time and Place

The Executive Council of the Section of Taxation met at 12:00 p.m. on May 28, 2009.

Attendance

Chair	Neil Pomerantz (absent)
Vice-Chair	Rachel James
Secretary	Steven Weiser
Treasurer	Stuart Sargent (by phone)
Members	Peter Rose (by phone) Andrew Elliot (by phone) Andrew Kroll (by phone)
Others	Amy Sreenen (CBA) Jeremy Wysocki
Absent	Rob Keyser Hank Vanderhage Tracy Villeco

Call to Order

Rachel James called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made (Steven Weiser, seconded by Stuart Sargent) to approve the minutes from the April Council meeting. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Stuart Sargent presented this month's report and we continue to be ahead of where we were last year (in terms of available cash) by almost \$4,800. Stuart has no concerns about the Section's ability to pay for its programs, and he does not anticipate any unusual expenses.

CLE

No report.

Topical Lunches

Bob Rich, the recipient of the lifetime achievement award, is unable to attend the June luncheon. John Wilson will be speaking at the September lunch, which may be the next best appropriate time to present the award. Nevertheless, it was agreed (unanimously) that due to the exposure (particularly to other sections) at the December luncheon, the award will be presented there (motion by Peter Rose, seconded by Andrew Kroll).

Peter Rose has speakers in place for the remainder of the 2009 luncheons.

Pro Bono

The web link to the pro bono guidelines has been revised. The Tax Court has also requested a change to the guidelines, specifically that all attorneys attending a docket call to assist taxpayers on a pro bono basis (through the Tax Section) be admitted to practice before the tax court. The Tax Court also would like to insure that at least one attorney with significant experience attend each docket call.

A motion by Stuart Sargent (seconded by Steven Weiser) was made to add a requirement that any volunteers participating in the docket call through the CBA section be admitted to practice before the Tax Court.

Legislative Report

Federal:

No report.

State:

Steven Weiser briefly summarized the technical corrections bill to HB 09-1093. He motioned (seconded by Andrew Kroll) to pass the bill. Amy will now forward the proposed bill to Michael Valdez who will bring the bill to the legislative committee for review.

Newsletter

No report.

Tax Tips

No report.

Website

No report.

Agency Positions Committee

No report.

Internal Revenue Service

Stuart Sargent stated that a local appeals officer meet and greet will occur. On August 13, 2009 there will be a meeting open to professionals to ask any questions of the IRS. Questions can be submitted in advance to Stuart who can try to get as many questions addressed by the IRS as possible. Questions can be submitted by June 30.

Colorado Department of Revenue

No report.

Interprofessional Committee

No report.

ABA Report

No report.

Section Reports

Business. No report.

Trusts & Estates. No report.

Real Estate. No report.

CBA Board of Governors

No report.

Section Scholarships

Rachel received a check for the CU scholarship from HRO and has forwarded that check to CU.

Amy has prepared a scholarship certificate for Alisha Buckingham which needs to be signed by Neil. Andrew Kroll is still awaiting information for Alisha and will try to schedule a meeting and/or lunch to award the scholarship.

Old Business

No alternative slates/candidates to the Section Executive Council were received. Therefore, the nominated slate of officers is declared elected.

New Business

None.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on June 25, 2009, at 12:00 p.m. at the offices of the Colorado Bar Association, Ninth Floor, 1900 Grant St., Denver, CO.

Ending Time: 12:46pm

***Steven M. Weiser,
Secretary***