

Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2021

Members Present: Chair Michael Cherry, Lesli Ashley, Sarah Bove, Jeremy Burke, Dr. June Darling, Dr. David Sattler, Prof. Drew Simshaw, and Michael Terasaki.

Members Excused: Pearl Gipson-Collier, Brooks Goode, and Mir Tariq.

Also Attending: Kristina Larry (Nominated), Governor Jordan Couch (BOG Liaison), Thea Jennings (WSBA Assistant General Counsel), and Kyla Jones (WSBA Paralegal).

PUBLIC SESSION

Chair Michael Cherry called the meeting to order once a quorum was established at 1:00 p.m.

1. Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2021, meeting. The motion passed by consensus. Prof. Drew Simshaw and Michael Terasaki abstained.

2. Updates

a. Operations

i. Recruitment and Onboarding

Chair Cherry welcomed Kristina Larry, who has been nominated to the Practice of Law Board. Ms. Larry's application was submitted informationally to the BOG Nominations Committee at their December 9th meeting. The application will next be forwarded to the Supreme Court for appointment.

ii. Subcommittee Assignments

No report. Subcommittee work will continue in the next year.

iii. 2022 Meeting Schedule

Chair Cherry announced that the annual meeting with the Supreme Court is scheduled for March 2, 2022. Most of the meeting will cover the regulatory laboratory proposal. Changes to the POLB's remaining scheduled meetings are coming.

iv. TAXICAB Update

Chair Cherry discussed the background of the creation of the TAXICAB. Conversations are ongoing between the Boards and Bar about how to define the word "administer." The POLB reviewed a policy drafted for the administration of Supreme Court entities. Board chairs were encouraged to share this draft policy with their respective Boards for feedback. A motion was made and second for Chair Cherry to continue to work with TAXICAB to define administration and get a policy in place. Governor Jordan Couch abstained from this motion.



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b. Public Education

i. Legal Check Up

Chair Cherry and WSBA staff are working with the WSBA Communications department to format Board letterhead and Legal Check Up pages. Chair Cherry announced that we are unable to use the Washington Courts logo and will have to create our own logo. The Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) documents are coming along nicely. Work is still being done to decrease the reading level.

Chair Cherry, General Counsel Julie Shankland, and Kyla Jones met virtually with Chad Burton at Curo Legal. Assistant General Counsel Jennings has been working to update the contract.

ii. Legal Regulatory Laboratory

Chair Cherry reported that the next steps in the Laboratory project are to draft court orders, apply for grants and other forms of funding, and to determine where the “Board” who runs the laboratory should report to.

The materials deadline for the annual meeting with the Court is February 23, 2022. The Board will work to prepare an updated version of the blueprint and sample orders. The Board also discussed a possible Regulatory Laboratory Board. Topics discussed included what support would be needed and where it would “live.”

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered into Executive Session.

The Board exited Executive Session.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.