



Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2024

Members Present: Chair Lesli Ashley, Citlalli Briseño, Chair-Emeritus Michael Cherry, Governor Kristina LARRY, Ellen Reed*, Ronald Satterthwaite, Craig Shank, Prof. Drew Simshaw, and Michael Terasaki

*Ellen Reed – present from 01:00-02:00pm

Members Excused: Sarah Bove, Dr. June Darling, Rory Hardy, Sharon Josefy Hytinen, James Nguyễn

Also Attending: Thea Jennings (WSBA Assistant General Counsel), Emily Crane (WSBA Temporary Paralegal)

Chair Ashley called the meeting to order once a quorum was established at 1:05pm.

PUBLIC SESSION (01:00-02:00pm)

1. Minutes:

Attention was brought to a spelling typo in the February minutes. A motion was made and seconded to approve the February 21st meeting minutes once a typo is corrected. The motion passed by consensus.

Michael Terasaki abstained due to absence at February meeting.

2. Action Items:

- Proposed Amendments to GR24.
 - Chair-Emeritus Michael Cherry gave a summary of content covered in GR 24 draft. The Board discussed the confusion surrounding wording in the current statute and the importance of clarity. A motion was made and seconded to approve the draft with the striking of last clause of the draft beginning “when the person providing such assistance does not provide legal representation”. The motion passed unanimously.
 - The Board discussed how best to inform the BOG regarding the GR 24 draft. A motion was made and seconded to send the BOG a copy of the GR 24 draft for informational purposes only. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Updates:

- Administration:
 - Recruitment FY25: Reminder that FY25 recruitment is about to begin. Members of the current board whose term will be concluding will have the opportunity to reapply. The application process starts May 1st and ends on May 31st.

- Recruitment Committee: The Board discussed creating a recruitment committee. Chair-Emeritus Michael Cherry, Michael Terasaki, and Ellen Reed volunteered to be part of the committee. The committee will come up with revised questions for POLB applicants with the goal of shortening the number of questions asked.
 - Innovation:
 - The WSBA Entity Regulation Beta-Test team is drafting an order for the Board's consideration. The Seattle U Law review article is almost complete for publication.
 - Education: no update.
 - Coordination: no update.
4. Other Business: The Board discussed a concern with the number of members who haven't been able to attend mid-week meetings. A suggestion was made to split the public and executive sessions with both occurring on separate days. A WSBA Community discussion will be started on this topic with a poll subsequently following.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (02:00-02:30pm)

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.