



State of Nevada
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OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, March 29, 2016
Start Time: 5:35pm
End Time: 6:30pm
Start Time: 6:39pm
End Time: 7:45pm

Location: Esquire Deposition Solutions
2300 West Sahara Avenue, Suite 770
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

Present: Lori Judd Peggy Elias Heidi Konsten Christine Alaimo
Severin Carlson Debbie Uehara Sophia Long Rose Marie Reynolds
Cheryl Gardner Rene Hannah

Via TelCon: Jason Bovard Dina Marcus Tiffany Elkington Cinthia Marumoto
Gina Lamm

ITEM #1: Meeting Called to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Lori Judd.

Board Members:

Severin Carlson – Present
Lori Judd – Present
Peggy Elias – Present
Heidi Konsten – Present
Christine Alaimo – Present

ITEM #2: Public Comments: No public comments.

ITEM #3: Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Peggy Elias: That the Board approves the agenda in its entirety. Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #4: Disciplinary Hearing – State of Nevada Certified Court Reporters Board v. Rene Hannah, CCR #326: The Board reviewed all evidence filed against Rene Hannah, CCR #326 regarding her failure to transcribe and provide transcripts in a timely manner and her failure to store her notes in at least 2 formats and secure them against tampering or accidental destruction. Ms. Hannah received many requests from the court reporting firm to submit the transcripts; she failed to meet the deadlines and at times was not responsive. Ms. Hannah claims that she was experiencing technical issues with her equipment and suspected a person may have compromised her files while still accepting new jobs. Ms. Hannah confirmed that 2 of the 3 transcripts remain outstanding.

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MOTION by Severin Carlson: That in accordance to NRS 622A.410, revokes Rene Hannah's certificate for a period of 18 months upon issuance of the order; after which time she may apply for reinstatement. If Ms. Hannah's certificate is reinstated after the 18 month period of revocation, she is subject to a 1 year probation period. Pursuant to NRS 622.400, Ms. Hannah is required to pay \$1,308.24 in attorney fees and costs to the Board within her 18 month revocation period. Motion seconded by Peggy Elias, Heidi Konsten abstained serving as the Board investigator, Lori Judd, Christine Alaimo in favor, motion moves forward.

Note: A break was taken at 6:30pm and the meeting resumed at 6:39pm.

ITEM #5: Approval of Open Meeting Minutes:

MOTION BY Severin Carlson: That the Board approve the February 10, 2016 Open Meeting minutes in its entirety. Motion seconded by Peggy Elias, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #6: Executive Secretary's Report: Debbie Uehara presented a financial report dated March 23, 2016. A copy is attached and will be kept on file. She reported they are 2 active complaints filed and the assigned board members are actively investigating the complaints. No written comments received. No further comments.

ITEM #7: Board Member Comments: No board member comments.

ITEM #8: Public Comments: Cheryl Gardner expressed her satisfaction on the Board's decision regarding the disciplinary hearing. No further comments.

ITEM #9: Next Scheduled Open Meeting and Agenda: The next open meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2016 at 6:00pm to determine the annual reinstatement fee pursuant to NRS 656.220(e). No further comments.

Adjournment:

MOTION to adjourn by Severin Carlson: That the Board adjourn the meeting at 6:04pm. Motion seconded by Christine Alaimo, all in favor, motion moves forward.