



State of Nevada
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LEGISLATIVE REGULATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, November 20, 2018
Start Time: 5:34pm
End Time: 7:21pm

Location: Oasis Reporting Services
400 South Seventh Street, Rhone Conference Room (3rd Floor)
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

Present: Peggy Elias William LaBorde Gina Shrader Kim Farkas
Debbie Uehara

Present via Telcon: Jocelyn Galvan Carrie Hewerdine Denise Hinxman
Judy Kelly Debra Morris Matthew Spievak Romona McGinnis
Michelle Ferreyra Trina Sanchez Shawn McCusker Josie Roper
Mickey Marez

ITEM #1: Meeting Called to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Peggy Elias:

Committee Members:

Present: Peggy Elias, Chairperson
Present: William LaBorde, Vice Chairman
Present: Jocelyn Galvan
Present: Gina Shrader
Present: Kim Farkas

ITEM #2: Public Comments: No public comments.

ITEM #3: Approval of the Agenda:

MOTION by William LaBorde: That the Legislative Regulations Committee approves the agenda in its entirety. Motion seconded by Kim Farkas, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #4: Create Regulations to Waive the Fee for Initial Applicants When the Certificate is Issued Less Than 45 Days Before the End of the Licensing Year: Debbie Uehara recommended to keep regulations consistent with NRS 656.220(1c) and create a regulation to allow the Board to waive or refund the registration fee for initial applicants when their certificate or license is issued less than 45 days before the end of the licensing year. See attached for proposed language that will be presented to the Board at the next scheduled open meeting. No further comments.

Motion by Peggy Elias: That the Legislative Regulations Committee adopt the proposed language as amended in NAC 656.200 and NAC 656.201. Motion seconded by Kim Farkas, all in favor, motion moves forward.

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ITEM #5: **Create Regulations to Provide Clarification on Licensing Year:** Debbie Uehara recommended to provide clarification on the licensing year for certificate holders. Certificate holders are required to pay renewal fees by May 15th of each year. However, certificate holders are granted until June 30th to pay their fees without penalty. The proposal is to abide by NRS 656.220(1d) and create a regulation that is consistent with NRS. The attached proposed language will be introduced to the Board at the next scheduled open meeting. No further comments.

MOTION by Peggy Elias: That the Legislative Regulations Committee adopt the proposed language as amended in NAC 656.200(4,5). Motion seconded by Kim Farkas, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #6: **Amend Deadline to Submit Report of Compliance Form for Continuing Education:** Debbie Uehara recommended to amend the schedule that requires certificate and license holders to submit their Report of Compliance form for continuing education. The reporting period ends on May 15th of each odd-numbered year and grants the holder until August 15th to cure the failure without penalty. The proposal is to remove the 3-month governing period and mark May 15th as the final deadline. See attached for proposed language that will be presented to the Board at the next scheduled open meeting. No further comments.

MOTION by Peggy Elias: That the Legislative Regulations Committee adopt the proposed language as amended in NAC 656.210 and NAC 656.230. Motion seconded by Kim Farkas, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #7: **Amend Regulations to Require Certified Court Reporters to Provide Court Reporting Services:** Peggy Elias recommended to amend NAC 656.280(2) to require court reporting firms to utilize certified court reporters as an officer for proceedings. See attached for proposed language that will be presented to the Board at the next scheduled open meeting. No further comments.

MOTION by Peggy Elias: That the Legislative Regulations Committee adopt the proposed language as amended in NAC 656.280(2). Motion seconded by Kim Farkas, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #8: **Amend Regulations and Change the Word Registered to Licensed in NAC 656.320:** Peggy Elias recommended to amend NAC 656.320 by changing the word “registered” to “licensed”. See attached for proposed language that will be presented to the Board at the next scheduled open meeting. No further comments.

MOTION by Peggy Elias: That the Legislative Regulations Committee adopt the proposed language as amended in NAC 656.320. Motion seconded by Kim Farkas, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #9: **Discussion to Ensure Court Reporting Firm Employ Proper Staff:** Peggy Elias shared reports regarding newly opened court reporting firms who accept deposition work without securing a court reporter to cover the job, thus, no court reporter reporting for the deposition. This type of practice does not protect the public. This matter is open for future discussion and development. No action taken, no further comments.

ITEM #10: **Amend Transcript Format Standards Pursuant to NAC Chapter 656:** Gina Shrader presented a conflict between the format standards of NAC Chapter 656, specifically NAC 656.360 versus the standards used by district court administration. Ms. Shrader introduced format standards used in other states as suggested guidelines. It was determined that further research will be conducted to determine possible language amendments. No motion made, no further comments.

ITEM #11: **Public Comments:** No public comments.

ITEM #12: **Next Committee Meeting and Agenda Items:** The next Legislative Regulations Committee meeting date and agenda items will be determined at a later date.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting by Peggy Elias. Motion seconded by Gina Shrader, meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.