



State of Nevada
Certified Court Reporters Board

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DAN WAITE, Esq. – Board Member

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday, June 29, 2020
Start Time: 5:38pm
End Time: 6:11pm

Location: Telephonic Meeting – no physical location due to COVID-19 quarantine.

Present Via TelCon:	Lori Judd	Peggy Elias	Dan Waite
	Heidi Konsten	Jane Efaw	Sandra Schoettlin
	Debbie Uehara	Jennifer Church	Yolanda Henry
	Shanyell King	Teresa Stephanoff	Mary McCoy
	Cindy Johnson	Jazz Taylor	Matthew Spievak
	Gloria Perry	Connie Eisenberg	Cory Wolden
	Noel Degnan	Wendy Honable	Francis Arenas
	Mary Warshefski	Debbie Hines	Debra Morris
	Kathy DiLorenzo		
	Kim Farkas		

ITEM #1: Meeting Called to Order:

Without motion, Lori Judd called the meeting to order at 5:38pm.

Board Members:

Present: Dan Waite
Present: Lori Judd
Present: Peggy Elias
Present: Heidi Konsten

ITEM #2: Public Comments: No public comments.

ITEM #3: Approval of the Agenda:

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

ITEM #4: Approve Meeting Minutes:

MOTION made by Peggy Elias: That the Board approves the March 26, 2020 open meeting minutes in its entirety. Motion seconded by Dan Waite, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #5: **February 21, 2020 Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission Report:** Lori Judd represented the Board at the February 21, 2020 committee meeting. The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Session is a permanent committee formed by the Legislature to oversee the performance of all Boards and Commissions; their duty is to determine if our Board and all other Boards need to be continued, modified, combined with another Board or possibly terminated. The committee specifically requested an update on the effects of SB-406; utilizing the RPR in place of the skills exam for court reporters. Ms. Judd presented the statistics and successful pass rate; subsequently with the increased pass rate, it provided an increase of reporters to register for their certificates. In response to suggested improvements for the Board, Ms. Judd gave an update on SB-38 sponsored by Governor Sandoval and provided copies of orders from Judge Williams, Judge Escobar and Discovery Commissioner Bulla. The committee was very complimentary of our Board, especially Senator Keith Pickard when he said, “Court reporters keep attorneys out of trouble”. Senator Pickard also stated that Judge Williams, Judge Escobar and Discovery Commissioner Bulla were correct in their orders against notaries certifying transcripts. No further comments.

ITEM #6: **May 26, 2020 OWINN Report:** Lori Judd represented the Board at the May 26, 2020 occupational roundtable sponsored by OWINN, the Governor’s office of workforce innovation. Governor Sandoval established OWINN in 2016 and the group has continued under the guidance of Governor Sisolak. Possibly 30% of Nevada’s workforce require licensure or certification. The purpose of this group is to examine or re-examine the licensure requirements in our state. A full report of the meeting is available on OWINN’s website at OWINN.nv.gov or by contacting Debbie Uehara. Currently, there are no changes being made to our licensing requirements. Dan Waite asked Ms. Judd if she would be attending future OWINN meetings, she said she would be happy to represent the Board if invited. No further comments.

ITEM #7: **Review LCB File R003-19:** Debbie Uehara asked the Board to review LCB File R003-19 regarding proposed language that amends the deadline for licensees and certificate holders to submit their continuing education credits. Based on the effects of the COVID-19 quarantine, local and national programs have been cancelled, lack of employment and other factors have arisen making it difficult for licensees to earn their credits. Ms. Uehara asked the Board to postpone, amend or repeal the language to benefit its licensees. By keeping the language as is, the current credit schedule works in conjunction with the Nevada Court Reporters Association’s newly scheduled 2021 convention to earn these credits. No further comments.

Motion by Peggy Elias: That the Board move forward with LCB File R003-19 to workshop, excluding Section 3, page 4 regarding the language that modifies the deadline for continuing education credits. Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #8: **Discussing NAC 656.210 Regarding Nevada Law Credits:** Lori Judd asked the Board if they had any comments or concerns regarding the review of applicable laws, regulations, and court and procedural rules governing the practice of court reporting in Nevada as stated in NAC 656.210. No comments from the Board.

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ITEM #9: **Next Open Meeting and Agenda Items:** The next open meeting will be scheduled after the July 10th and 11th exams to ratify the test results; agenda items will be determined at a later date.

ITEM #10: **Public Comments:** No public comments.

MOTION by Dan Waite: That the Board adjourn the meeting at 6:11pm. Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.