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OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2022

Start Time: 5:30pm

End Time: 6:20pm

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting via Zoom

Present Via Zoom:	Dan Waite	Heidi Konsten	William LaBorde	Lisa Dreitzer
	Debbie Uehara	Rachel Barkume	Gina Lamm	Carol Chase
	Teresa Stephanoff	Kathy DiLorenzo	Samantha McNett	Diane Lewis
	Michelle Hall	Terry Thompson	Sharon Bradley	Dawn Gustin
	Connie Petrazio	Clara Casey	Matthew Spievak	Karen Cosgrove
	Mickey Marez	Rose Marie Robison	Kerrie Keller	Nicole Hanson
	Sandra Schoettlin	Robert Stanley	Christie Main-Cabrajac	

ITEM #1: Meeting Called to Order:

Without motion, Dan Waite called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Board Members:

Dan Waite	Present
Heidi Konsten	Present
Peggy Elias	Not Present
William LaBorde	Present
Lisa Dreitzer	Present

ITEM #2: Public Comments: No public comments.

ITEM #3: Approval of the Agenda:

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

ITEM #4: Approval of Meeting Minutes:

MOTION by Heidi Konsten: That the Board approves the February 10, 2022 open meeting minutes in its entirety. Motion seconded by Lisa Dreitzer, all in favor, motion moves forward.

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MOTION by William LaBorde: That the Board approves the April 15, 2022 closed meeting minutes in its entirety. Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #5: Appoint Vice Chair to the Legislative Regulations Committee:

MOTION by Dan Waite: That the Board appoints William LaBorde as the Vice Chair to the Legislative Regulations Committee, pursuant to NRS 656.110(2). Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #6: 2023 Bill Draft Report: Dan Waite reported the Board has a bill draft request to regulate video recorders and firms and housekeeping matters at the 2023 legislative session. Senator Hammond will sponsor the Board's bill. A meeting will take place with Senator Hammond, Eileen O'Grady, Chief Deputy Legislative Counsel, Dan Waite, Peggy Elias and Debbie Uehara to review the proposed bill. As we move forward, further updates will be shared. No further comments.

ITEM #7: Ratify the April 15, 2022 Test Results: Debbie Uehara reported there were 2 applicants who registered and took the firm examination. There were 6 applicants who registered for the certification exam. 2 applicants transferred to the July exam due to costly airline ticket fees. 1 applicant requested a full refund. 3 applicants appeared and took the certification exam. After grading each exam at the April 15, 2022 closed meeting, the following was confirmed:

Firm Exam: 1 applicant passed with a grade of at least 37 errors or less. 1 applicant failed with 38 or more errors.

Certification Exam: 3 applicants passed with a grade of 52 errors or less.

MOTION by William LaBorde: That the Board ratify the test results from the April 15, 2022 firm and certification exams. Motion seconded by Lisa Dreitzer, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #8: Review the Correlation of R172-20 and NAC 656.370: Dan Waite pointed out the language similarities in R172-20, section 3 and NAC 656.370 relating to provisions of transcripts to parties. Upon review and discussion, it was determined to bring this to the attention of LCB. No further comments.

MOTION by Heidi Konsten: That the Board instructs the Executive Secretary to notify LCB of the language similarities in R172-20, section 3 and NAC 656.370 for review and possible drafting. Motion seconded by William LaBorde, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #9: Review NAC 656.261 and NAC 656.265: Heidi Konsten introduced proposed language relating to the administrative procedures to take the exam for a designated firm representative of a court reporting firm. The proposed language mirrors the regulations for an applicant taking the certification exam relating to the Board's application submission and refund policy and test results notification. A copy of the proposed language is attached and will be kept on file. No further comments.

MOTION William LaBorde: That the Board instructs the Executive Secretary to submit the proposed language to LCB for drafting. Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #10: Reciprocity to Members of the Armed Forces and Their Spouses: Heidi Konsten introduced proposed language to provide reciprocity to an active member of the Armed Forces, member's spouse, veteran or veteran's spouse pursuant to NRS 622.510 and NRS 622.530. For reasons unknown, the Board was not included in the original omnibus bill for various Boards and passed over at the next legislative session in the years 2013 and 2015. Debbie Uehara reported there are 6 court reporters registered as veterans. To date, during her 16 years of service, the Board's office has not received a request for military reciprocity. Relating to AB 439 and AB 357, Lisa Dreitzer asked if the Board would consider discounted fees for veterans. Upon discussion, it was determined to proceed with the proposed language first and submit to LCB for drafting. No further comments.

MOTION by Lisa Dreitzer: That the Board instructs the Executive Secretary to submit the proposed language to LCB for drafting with the amendment under the title "Temporary certificate of registration", Section 1 to remove the word "or" after "court reporter". Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #11: NCRA's Notice to the Bar Association and Counselors: Debbie Uehara revisited the notice provided by NCRA's President Debra Dibble regarding non-compliant court reporting services and asked newly appointed Board member, Lisa Dreitzer, Deputy Executive Director for the State Bar of Nevada for her assistance to circulate this information to Nevada attorneys. Ms. Dreitzer stated they have a e-newsletter that could post information at no-cost. Ms. Uehara shared Joel Dekker, Deputy Attorney General for the Board suggested a letter endorsed by the AG's office could provide more authority. A discussion ensued and it was determined that a notice endorsed by the AG's office and the Board's attorney member would be more effective. No further comment.

MOTION by Heidi Konsten: That the Board will produce a notice, informing Nevada attorneys of illegal court reporting practices. The notice will be endorsed by the Board's attorney member and Deputy Attorney General. Motion seconded by William LaBorde, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #12: Review 22-23FY Budget: Debbie Uehara presented the 22-23 fiscal year budget. A copy is attached and will be kept on file. No further comments.

MOTION by Lisa Dreitzer: That the Board approves the 22-23 fiscal budget. Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, motion moves forward.

ITEM #13: Public Comments: No public comments.

ITEM #14: Next Open Meeting and Agenda Items: The next open meeting will be scheduled after the July exams. Agenda items will be determined at a later date.

ITEM #15: Final Roll Call for Credit: Debbie Uehara took final roll call for those earning 1 Nevada law credit.

Adjournment:

Motion by William LaBorde to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Heidi Konsten, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.