

BOG LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2017

Members present: Robin Haynes, Bill Hyslop, Mario Cava, Brad Furlong, Jill Karmy, Keith Black, Chris Meserve, Athan Papailiou, & Angela Hayes

Staff present: Alison Phelan, Michael Shaw & Clark McIsaac

SUMMARY OF ACTION TAKEN

Item Discussed	Bill Number	Vote	Comments
Meeting minutes	N/A	Vote to approve the Jan. 6, 2017 BLC meeting minutes	No objections Moved: Gov. Black Seconded: Gov. Meserve

Welcome

- WSBA Board of Governors Legislative Committee (BLC) Chair Gov. Mario Cava began the January 13, 2017 meeting at 2:32 p.m.

ACTION: Adoption of Meeting Minutes

- Gov. Black made a motion to approve the Jan. 6, 2017 BLC meeting minutes as-is; seconded by Gov. Meserve; passed unanimously.
- Chair Cava provided a copy of the BLC letter sent to the Council on Public Defense (CPD) as a follow-up from the discussion during the Jan. 6, 2017 BLC meeting.

Session Update

Bills

- WSBA Legislative Affairs Manager Alison Phelan provided an update regarding the Bar-request bills, **Senate Bills 5011** and **5012**. There will be an amendment offered to SB 5012 as requested by the Attorney General's office and agreed-upon by the WSBA RPPT Section to clarify the AG's current authority. The bill's prime sponsor, Sen. Pedersen, is amendable to the change and has shared the language with legislative staff.

- Other bills discussed include **HB 1003** (Establishing parental notification requirements for abortion; Family Law Section: opposed); **HB 1093** (Clarifying legal financial obligation provisions; CPD: referred; Civil Rights Section: referred), and **HB 1070** (Filing fee surcharges for funding dispute resolution centers; ADR Section: referred; Litigation Section: referred).
- HB 1070 and the issue of increased fees sparked a conversation regarding an already-adopted WSBA policy to not support any fee increase legislation. This policy was adopted by the WSBA Board of Governors on Jan. 27, 2011. Leg. Affairs Manager Phelan will provide this information to both the ADR and Litigation Sections as it relates to HB 1070 and also update the list of legislative-related policies on the WSBA Leg. Affairs web page.

Other Issues

- Legislative committees conducted various work sessions this week regarding Gov. Inslee's proposed operating budget and revenue package.
- The House Judiciary Committee conducted a work session regarding an overview of civil legal aid services provided through the Office of Civil Legal Aid.

Outreach Activities

- The list of appointments for the Pres. Haynes and Leg. Affairs Manager Phelan advocacy day in Olympia on Jan. 30, 2017 includes: Speaker Chopp, Representatives Kristiansen, Sullivan, and Jinkins; as well as Senators Schoesler, Nelson, Padden, Pedersen, and Billig.

Other Business

- Along with BLC meeting minutes, Leg. Affairs Manager Phelan will send a weekly legislative session summary to the Board of Governors. This information will also appear in various WSBA publications such as NWSidebar and Take Note, as well as social media outlets and be shared on the WSBA Section leaders listserv.
- The Jan. 27, 2017 BLC meeting will be canceled due to the conflict with the Board of Governors meeting in Spokane; no objections. Leg. Affairs Manager Phelan will provide a written summary in lieu of the meeting.

Gov. Papailiou made a motion to adjourn; Gov. Furlong seconded; no objections.

Meeting adjourned by Chair Cava at 2:58 PM on Friday, January 13, 2017.