

Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2018 via conference call

Members Present: Shelley Miner, Chair, Tina Carroll, Bill Ronhaar, Crystal Flood, Shauna Schraft, Tom Peterson, Jim Blair, and Tim Bastain.

WSBA staff and others present: Jean McElroy, Chief Regulatory Counsel; Renata Garcia, Innovative Licensing Programs Manager; Bobby Henry, Associate Director for Regulatory Services; Jaimie Patneau, Innovative Programs Lead

Board Business:

- Board discussed the option of creating LPO education requirements. The Board discussed the reasons for the educational requirements including potential improved exam pass rate and better prepared LPOs. The Board also discussed how the educational requirement seems like a regulation being placed on employers and that most employers hire employees based on experience, not necessarily educational certificates/degrees. The Board discussed the low passing rate and exam format. WSBA staff stressed the exam cannot be adjusted by the Board. The Board and WSBA staff discussed the option of a community college offering a certificate degree to people who are interested in an educational component to prepare for the LPO exam.

The Board concluded that an educational requirement is not necessary at this time and voted unanimously to not create any educational requirements for the LPOs.

Announcements:

- Board there is a Board of Governors meeting July 26-27 in Vancouver, Washington. Renata will follow up with details once she receives them. The Board was strongly encouraged to attend in person, if possible.
- Next LP Board meeting is August 14.
- LPO exam will be held July 23 and test results will be released roughly six weeks later.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaimie Patneau

