

Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2020

Members Present: Interim Chair Doug Walsh, Michele Carney, Michael Cherry, Prof. George Critchlow, Brooks Goode, Amber Rush, Prof. Drew Simshaw, Gary Swearingen, Mir Tariq, and Jen Unger.

Members Excused: Trena Berton, Sonya Kraski, Joseph Williams, and Sunitha Anjilvel (BOG Liaison)

Also Attending: Julie Shankland (WSBA General Counsel) and Kyla Jones (WSBA Paralegal).

Interim Chair Doug Walsh called the meeting to order once a quorum was established.

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the July 14, 2020 and July 28, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Recruitment

A motion was made to (1) table the three applications to the next meeting; and (2) to form a subcommittee to pursue review of the applications and report at the next meeting, and engage in the operation of recruiting diverse members, now and in the future. The motion passed unanimously. The subcommittee will consist of members: Michael Cherry, Jen Unger, and Mir Tariq (pending). Kyla Jones will assist this subcommittee.

3. Updates

- Public Records Request – Attorney General’s Office
The Board is continuing to receive discs containing documents in response to the public records request. The Board is currently awaiting batch four.
- Legal Health Check-Up
No update.
- Court House Facilitators
The Board has invited stakeholders to the October POLB meeting to collect feedback. This meeting will be held on October 15, 2020 via Zoom.



- Access to Justice Technology Committee Workgroup
This group is working on discussions of GR 24 and online and automated legal services.
- Equity and Disparity Workgroup
POLB delegate Mir Tariq reported that he has not received any communications yet.

4. MCLE Board Edited Suggested Amendment

A motion was made to take a neutral position on the MCLE Board's Edited Suggested Amendment to Admission and Practice Rule (APR 11). The motion was not seconded. A motion was made and seconded to continue to support the amended change. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Next Meeting

The Board will hold at two-hour meeting via Zoom on September 17, 2020 from 11 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. This is the last meeting of the fiscal year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made and seconded to enter Executive Session.

A motion was made and seconded to end the Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned.