

MINUTES

**WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF
MANDATORY CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION**

September 17, 2010

The meeting of the Washington State Board of Mandatory Continuing Legal Education was called to order by Chair Karen Sayre at 10:05 a.m. on Friday, September 17, 2010, at the WSBA Conference Center in Seattle, Washington.

Board members in attendance were:

- Karen Sayre, Chair
- John W. Chessell (via teleconference)
- Efrem R. Krisher
- John Tappan Menard
- Archer Summers
- Kay L. Verelius

Absent were Tera Schreiber, MCLE Board member, and Carla C. Lee, BOG Liaison.

Liaisons and Staff attending were:

Kathleen Todd	MCLE Board Executive Secretary
Adriana Castano-Agudelo	MCLE Analyst

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the July 15, 2010, meeting were approved by motion.

AUDITS OF CLE COURSES

The Board reviewed a written audit report of an online CLE course which received a favorable rating. The technology was easy to set up and the program was engaging. A Board member also presented an audit report for a course attended in person (which was simultaneously a live webcast). The course was well organized and administered and had a very strong, well informed faculty. The internet staff did a good job of relaying questions from the online attendees to the instructors and facilitating interaction between them if further clarifications were needed by the online attendee. However, the description of the course did not match the course content; the level of material presented assumed a much higher level of experience in the field than the “primer” in the course title name indicated. Also, too much material was presented in a short time-frame, making learning more challenging.

APPEAL

The Board considered an in-person appeal by a member.

REVIEW OF REGULATION 106(b) DELEGATED DECISIONS

The Board considered an updated listing of decisions to be delegated to the Executive Secretary under APR 11 Regulation 106(b). The updated list was approved by motion.

SPONSOR FEE POLICY

The Board reviewed the fee policy for CLE sponsors granted financial hardship status. An increasing percentage of these sponsors are charging for CLE courses. The Board resolved by motion that if such sponsors charge any fee for attending a CLE course, then the full sponsor fees must be paid.

PRE-RECORDED ONLINE COURSE CREDIT DESCRIPTIONS

The Board considered action that could be taken to ensure that members claimed "A/V" (self-study) credit rather than live credit for taking pre-recorded online courses. The Board resolved by motion that an email should be sent to all sponsors (that have active sponsor pages in the online MCLE system) with a non-mandatory request that pre-recorded online courses taken by WSBA members be designated as "A/V" credit courses.

LAWYER PETITIONS

The Board considered 12 lawyer petitions. Each petition was considered and resolved by motion. No listing of these motions is attached to these minutes to protect the confidentiality of the members.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at hand, the MCLE Board meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m. The next Board meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Todd

MCLE Board Executive Secretary