WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Practice of Law Board

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Hon. Paul Bastine, ret, Chair

MEETING MINUTES March 21, 2019

<u>Members Present:</u> Hon. Paul Bastine, ret., Chair, Trena Berton, Michele Carney, Prof. George Critchlow, Brooks Goode (by phone), Judge Dominique Jinhong (ALJ), Andre Lang, Amber Rush (by phone), Sarah Sumadi, Gary Swearingen, Jennifer Unger, Doug Walsh, and Joseph Williams (by phone).

<u>Also Attending:</u> Julie Shankland (General Counsel), Michelle Lucas (ATJ Liaison) (by phone), Ellen Reed (ATJ Tech Liaison), Michael Cherry, and Sherry Lindner (Paralegal).

MINUTES

The Board approved the February 21, 2019, minutes by consensus with one correction.

Legal Health Check-Up Update

Ms. Shankland reported that she is working with Chad Burton to schedule a demonstration for the Board to view the app. The goal is for the Board to review the content and questions and assist CuroLegal to frame the program to make it user friendly and streamline the process.

<u>Discussion of March 13, 2019 Letter to Board of Governors</u>

The Board discussed the impact of Executive Director Paula Littlewood's termination by the Board of Governors will have on the Board and the justices' letter. The Board further discussed on whether the Board should write a letter in support of the justices' letter to the Board of Governors.

Motion was made and seconded to draft a letter to the Court and the Board of Governors in support of the justices' letter to the Board of Governors. Motion passed unanimously.

Judge Bastine reported that Judge Jinhong (ALJ) is part of the restructure work group and the work group's first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 28 at 9:00 a.m. All work group meetings are open to the public and held at the WSBA Offices.

GR 24 Update

On March 21, 2019, the Board submitted a letter to the Court requesting that the Court extends the GR 24 comment for 120 days.

The Board is working with the ATJ Tech Committee to gather input from industry and other interested stakeholders.

Recruitment

Public Member Sarah Sumadi will not reapply for a second term. The Board will need to appoint one public member to fill that slot.

Meeting with the Court

The Board is scheduled to meet with the Court in Olympia on June 6 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Court House Facilitators (GR 27)

The Board discussed inviting court house facilitators at their April 18 meeting to discuss each counties program and receive information. The Board will reach out to Janet Skreen, Priscilla Selden, and Sonya Kraski.

The meeting was adjourned.