

**Oregon State Bar**  
**Special Open Session of the Board of Governors**  
**January 6, 2017**  
**Minutes**

President Michael Levelle called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. on January 6, 2017. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. Members present from the Board of Governors were John Bachofner, Jim Chaney, Eric Foster, Rob Gratchner, Guy Greco, Ray Heysell, John Mansfield, Eddie Medina, Vanessa Nordyke, Tom Peachey, Per Ramfjord, Kathleen Rastetter, Liani Reeves, Julia Rice, Traci Rossi, Kerry Sharp, and Kate von Ter Stegge. Not present were Chris Costantino and Elisabeth Zinser. Staff present were Helen Hierschbiel, Amber Hollister, Dawn Evans, Susan Grabe, Mark Johnson Roberts, and Camille Greene.

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Swearing In**

Mr. Levelle swore in new board members Eric Foster, Eddie Medina, Tom Peachey, Liani Reeves and Traci Rossi.

**3. Amendments to Bar Rules of Procedure**

Ms. Evans presented the letter from William Blair objecting to the recommendation that the BOG retain the regional chairs and eliminate the statewide chair. Ms. Evans also presented her written response. **[Exhibit A]**

**Motion:** Mr. Greco moved, Mr. Bachofner seconded, and the board voted unanimously in favor of approving the revisions to the bar rules. The Supreme Court has asked Oregon State Bar to submit these proposed revisions to the membership for comment before submitting to the court.

**4. Closed Sessions – see CLOSED Minutes**

A. Executive Session (pursuant to ORS 192.660(1)(f) and (h)) - General Counsel/UPL Report

**Motion:** Ms. Reeves moved, Mr. Ramfjord seconded, and the board voted unanimously to approve the UPL request for authority to file suit against B.L. Perkins to obtain an injunction.

**5. Good of the Order (Non-action comments, information and notice of need for possible future board action)**

Mr. Levelle suggested that the board, at the next regular board meeting, discuss possible topics for generative discussions throughout the coming year.

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Discussion of items on this agenda is in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f) and (h) to consider exempt records and to consult with counsel. This portion of the meeting is open only to board members, staff, other persons the board may wish to include, and to the media except as provided in ORS 192.660(5) and subject to instruction as to what can be disclosed. Final actions are taken in open session and reflected in the minutes, which are a public record. The minutes will not contain any information that is not required to be included or which would defeat the purpose of the executive session.

A. Unlawful Practice of Law

Ms. Hollister presented the UPL Committee's request for authority to file suit and obtain an injunction against B.L. Perkins.

**Motion:** Ms. Reeves moved, Mr. Ramfjord seconded, and the board voted unanimously to approve the UPL request.