Oregon State Bar
Special Meeting of the Board of Governors
October 13, 2011
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Piucci at 8:01 a.m. on October 13, 2011, and adjourned at 8:25 a.m. Members present from the Board of Governors were Jenifer Billman, Barbara Dilaconi, Hunter Emerick, Ann Fisher, Michelle Garcia, Michael Haglund, Gina Johnnie, Matthew Kehoe, Christopher Kent, Tom Kranovich, Steve Larson, Audrey Matsumonji, Kenneth Mitchell-Phillips, Mitzi Naucier, Maureen O’Connor and David Wade. Staff present were Helen Hierschbiel and Camille Greene. Also present were Ira Zarov and Tom Cave from the Professional Liability Fund.

1. PLF Primary Assessment and Excess Rates
   A. Approve the 2012 Excess Rates

      Tom Cave explained the method to determine these rates. Each year the BOG approves the PLF excess rates. This year the rates for excess coverage have increased in the following amounts:

      - $700,000 Class I coverage has increased from $882 to $961.
      - $700,000 Class II coverage has increased from $1,589 to $1,732.
      - $1,700,000 Class I coverage has increased from $1,644 to $1,792.
      - $1,700,000 Class II coverage has increased from $2,827 to $3,081.

   B. Approve the 2012 Assessment

      The PLF Board of Directors approved the proposed assessment and budget at its September 26, 2011 meeting. Pursuant to PLF and OSB policies, the BOG also must approve the budget and assessment for the coming year. This year, the recommendation is to maintain the assessment at the 2011 amount of $3,500.

      Motion: Ms. Fisher moved, Ms. Dilaconi seconded, and the board voted unanimously to approve the 2012 excess rates and assessment as proposed.

2. Bar Preference Poll

   Mr. Larson informed the board about the 7th judicial district opening. The presiding judge has pressed the treasurer of the Mid-Columbia Bar Association to ask for a preference poll from the board. Mr. Larson requested a decision from the board. The board decided by consensus to not conduct the poll. Mr. Larson will inform the presiding judge of the board’s decision.

3. Good of the Order (Non-action comments, information and notice of need for possible future board action) None.