

Oregon State Bar
Special Open Session of the Board of Governors
May 15, 2015
Minutes

President Richard Spier called the meeting to order at 9:15.a.m. on May 15, 2015. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. Board members present were James Chaney, Guy Greco, Ray Heysell Theresa Kohlhoff, John Mansfield, Audrey Matsumonji, Vanessa Nordyke, Ramon Pagan, Kathleen Rastetter, Josh Ross, Kerry Sharp, Simon Whang, Charles Wilhoite, and Elisabeth Zinser. Not present were Travis Prestwich, Per Ramfjord and Tim Williams. OSB employees present were Sylvia Stevens, Helen Hirschbiel, Rod Wegener and Camille Greene.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Spier called the meeting to order.

2. Sole & Small Firm Section Name Change Request

Ms. Stevens asked the board to consider the request of the Sole and Small Firm Practitioners Section to change its name to the Sole and Small Firm Section for simplification purposes only. There was some discussion about whether the proposed change is grammatically correct.

Motion: Mr. Pagan moved, seconded by Ms. Rastetter, to amend the section's name to the "Solo and Small Firm Section." Mr. Mansfield cautioned against changing the name to something the section had not requested, the BOG should inquire if the proposed name is acceptable. Mr. Pagan withdrew his motion.

Motion: Mr. Mansfield moved, seconded by Ms. Rastetter, to solicit the section's reaction to the name "Solo and Small Firm Section." Mr. Greco voted no, all others voted yes.

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Special Executive Session Minutes**

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.

President Richard Spier called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Board members present were James Chaney, Guy Greco, Ray Heysell Theresa Kohlhoff, John Mansfield, Audrey Matsumonji, Vanessa Nordyke, Ramon Pagan, Per Ramfjord, Kathleen Rastetter, Josh Ross, Kerry Sharp, Simon Whang, Charles Wilhoite, Tim Williams and Elisabeth Zinser. Not present was Travis Prestwich. OSB employees present were Rod Wegener and Christine Kennedy. Also present was Mitzi Naucler, E.D. Selection Special Committee member.

A. Discussion re: Final E.D. Candidates

The board members found both candidates to have excellent skills, recognizing that no single person will have all the attributes desired. The board discussed the relative merits of bringing in someone from outside the organization and whether both candidates had the ability to lead the bar into the future. After discussion, there was a consensus that references of both finalists should be contacted using a set of specific questions. Each board member contacting references will summarize their findings in writing; the interview notes and the summaries will be provided to the board in preparation for a telephone conference to be scheduled sometime within the next two to three weeks.