

Oregon State Bar
Meeting of the Board of Governors
August 15, 2003
Special Meeting Minutes

The Board meeting was called to order Friday, August 15, 2003, at 12:15 p.m. by President Charles Williamson and adjourned at 12:29 p.m. Members of the Board of Governors participating were Ronald Bryant, Nena Cook, John Enbom, James Brown, Lauren Paulson, Mary McCauley Burrows, Bette Worcester, David Hytowitz, William Carter, Frank Hilton, Gerry Gaydos, Charles Williamson, Mark Comstock, Jon Hill and Dennis Rawlinson. Board member Lisa LeSage was absent. Staff participating was George Riemer, Sylvia Stevens and Teresa Wenzel.

A. Preliminary House of Delegates Agenda

1. Approve the Agenda for the 2003 House of Delegates Meeting of September 20, 2003.

Mr. Brown presented concerns he had received regarding Board of Governors Resolution No. 3, *Resolution of Appreciation for Certain Lawyer Legislators*. The Board discussed the concerns and agreed by consent to revise the portion of the resolution pertaining to State Representative Rob Patridge to read:

Whereas, State Representative Rob Patridge has served this session as Chair of the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Public Safety, is Majority Whip of the House of Representatives, has been a member of the Oregon State Bar since 1991, and has taken the lead in working to craft a judicial budget that meets the needs of Oregonians; and

The Board also approved, by consent, including the *Final Report of the Special Legal Ethics Committee on the Disciplinary Rules* in the House of Delegates agenda as an informational item.

Action: Mr. Hytowitz moved and Mr. Gaydos seconded to approve the 2003 House of Delegates agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

B. For the Good of the Order.

1. Mr. Williamson informed the Board that a special “get acquainted” meeting is scheduled for the out-of-state delegates at the Annual Meeting.

2. There will be a presentation by Sylvia Stevens and Nancy Cooper in the main convention hall, from 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., prior to the House of Delegates meeting, to provide House of Delegates members and other House of Delegates meeting attendees with an overview of the key changes incorporated into the new proposed Rules of Professional Conduct.
3. Ms. Stevens will send the members of the House of Delegates a memorandum explaining what is new in the Proposed Rules of Professional Conduct and other key differences between the current and proposed new rules.
4. Mr. Riemer will review whether a transition provision should be recommended to the Supreme Court to explain how the old and new rules will apply to conduct occurring before, on and after the effective date of the new rules.