



Certified Professional Guardian Board Meeting
Monday, September 9, 2013 (8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.)
Telephone Conference

Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Judge Robert Swisher, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Rachelle Anderson
Mr. Gary Beagle
Ms. Rosslyn Bethmann
Dr. Barbara Cochrane
Ms. Nancy Dapper
Mr. Andrew Heinz
Mr. Bill Jaback
Ms. Emily Rogers
Ms. Carol Sloan

Members Absent

Judge James Lawler, Chair
Ms. Robin Balsam
Judge Sally Olsen

Staff

Ms. Shirley Bondon
Ms. Carla Montejo
Ms. Sally Rees
Ms. Kim Rood
Mr. Ferd Ang, Webmaster, Administrative
Office of the Courts

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.

2. Board Business

Introduction

Commissioner Anderson introduced the new Certified Professional Guardian Board (CPG) Grievance Investigators, Carla Montejo and Sally Rees.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Anderson asked for changes or corrections to the August 14, 2013 proposed minutes. There were no changes or corrections.

Motion: *A motion was made and seconded to approve minutes from the August 14, 2013 meeting. The motion passed.*

Proposed 2014 Meeting Schedule

Commissioner Anderson read the proposed 2014 Meeting Schedule. Members were asked to make note of the meeting schedule and check their calendars.

Proposed 2014 Committee List

Commissioner Anderson asked Board members to confirm the proposed 2013-2014 updated Committee List.

3. Executive Session (Closed to Public)
4. Reconvene and Vote on Executive Session Discussion (Open to Public)

Applications Committee

Individual Applications

Motion: *A motion was made and seconded to approve Loren Hansey-Butler's application. The motion passed.*

Motion: *A motion was made and seconded to conditionally approve Paul Hayes Guilfoil, Jr's application. The motion passed.*

Agency Applications:

Motion: *A motion was made and seconded to approve Safe Haven Guardianship Agency's application. The motion passed. Commissioner Anderson abstained from voting.*

5. Correspondence

- **Letter to Chief Justice Madsen**

Staff gave a brief overview of the process for filling seats on the Certified Professional Guardian (CPG) Board. Currently, two seats are reserved for members of the Washington State Bar Association (WSBA). When those seats become vacant, staff with the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) notify the WSBA of the pending vacancy and the need to solicit letters of interest. WSBA solicits and accept letters of interest, which they share with a nominating committee appointed by the CPG Board Chair. Based on existing Board make up, the nominating committee identifies the needs of the Board and submits recommendations from the list of applicants to WSBA. The nominating committee also identifies applicants the Board finds unacceptable for any number of reasons. Recently, this process was followed and WSBA nominated an individual the Board considered unacceptable due to conflicts of interests. Judge Lawler expressed his concern regarding the process and nomination to Chief Justice Madsen. After communicating with WSBA, Chief Justice Madsen appointed Gerald Tarutis, one of the individuals recommended by the Board's nominating committee. Mr. Tarutis joins the Board October, 2013.

- **Letter from Washington Association of Professional Guardians**

Ms. Glenda Voller, President, Washington Association of Professional Guardians (WAPG), submitted a letter to the CPG Board expressing concerns she and other WAPG members have regarding the CPG Board. Her list of concerns included: professional guardians view that they were harassed by AOC staff; a lack of opportunity to provide public input in Board and Board committee deliberations; a lack of transparency shown by the Board in its minutes; a lack of documentation in regards to the work and deliberations of the Board's committees; the promulgation of proposed regulations in a

piecemeal fashion; and significant structural, factual errors and inconsistencies in proposed revisions of regulations. Ms. Vollar requested that a meeting be held between representatives of the CPG Board and representatives from WAPG before the end of August, 2013.

A Board member asked the Board to consider scheduling a private meeting with WAPG, as it represented the interests of individuals the Board regulates. Other members stated that a private meeting with professional guardians would establish a precedent, and the Board would need to be open to meeting with other special interest groups in the future.

A member suggested, and the Board agreed, to request a list of agenda items from WAPG for Chair review. With the Chair's approval, WAPG would be allowed to dialogue with the Board regarding their specific concerns during the Board's October 14 in-person meeting. Staff was instructed to communicate the request to Judge Lawler, Board Chair.

- **Message from Washington State Patrol**

There wasn't sufficient time to discuss this item, thus it will be added to the October 14, 2013 Board meeting agenda.

6. Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Recap of Motions from September 9th, 2013 Meeting

Motion Summary	Status
Motion: <i>A motion was made and seconded to approve minutes from the August 14, 2013 meeting. The motion passed.</i>	Passed
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Action Item Summary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communicate with Judge Lawler regarding a one hour dialogue with WAPG during the October 14, 2013 in-person meeting	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Add message from Washington State Patrol to the Board's October 14th agenda.	Complete