



# Certified Professional Guardianship and Conservatorship Board

Monday, February 24, 2022  
Zoom Meeting  
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES	
Members Present	Members Absent
Judge Diana Kiesel, Chair	Commissioner Cadine Ferguson-Brown
Judge Grant Blinn	Mr. William Reeves
Judge Robert Lewis	Dr. Rachel Wrenn
Ms. Kristina Hammond	
Ms. Lisa Malpass	Staff Present
Ms. Melanie Maxwell	Ms. Stacey Johnson
Dr. K. Penney Sanders	Ms. Thai Kien
Mr. Dan Smerken	Mr. Samar Malik
Ms. Susie Starrfield	Ms. Maureen Roberts
Ms. Amanda Witthauer	Ms. Rhonda Scott
	Ms. Linda Vass
	Ms. Sherri White

**Guests** – See last page

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

Judge Diana Kiesel called the February 24, 2022 Special Certified Professional Guardianship and Conservatorship Board meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**2. Welcome, Roll Call, and Approval of Minutes**

Judge Kiesel welcomed all present.

**3. Executive Session (Closed to the Public)**

**4. Reconvene and Vote on Executive Session Discussion (Open to the Public)**

Dan Smerken provided history of the composition of membership of the Board, which is set out in GR 23. GR 23 provides that no more than one-third of the Board membership shall be practicing professional guardians and conservators. This history was addressed in a letter received from Deborah Jameson, a certified professional guardian and conservator, who has suggested changing GR 23 to eliminate the limitation on the number of professional guardians who may be on the Board. Additionally, she suggested GR 23 be amended to hold the Board subject to the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Motion:**

A motion was made and seconded to oppose the two suggested changes to GR 23 regarding the composition of the Board, and the Board being subject to the Open Public Meetings Act. The motion passed unanimously.

On behalf of the Applications Committee, Judge Lewis presented the following applications for certified professional guardian and conservator. The Applications Committee abstained.

**Motion:** A motion was made and seconded to conditionally approve Karen Travis' application for certification, conditional on the successful completion of mandatory training, with transferable skills in finance. The motion passed unanimously.

**5. Wrap Up/Adjourn**

With no other business to discuss, the February 24, 2022 Special Board meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m. The next regular CPGC Board meeting will take place on Monday, March 10, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

**Recap of Motions:**

<b>Motion Summary</b>		<b>Status</b>
Motion:	A motion was made and seconded to oppose the two suggested changes to GR 23 regarding the composition of the Board, and the Board being subject to the Open Public Meetings Act.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made and seconded to conditionally approve Karen Travis' application for certification, conditional on the successful completion of mandatory training, with transferable skills in finance.	Passed

**Guests:**

Mark Vohr  
Deborah Jameson  
Angela Carlson-Whitley  
Neil & Neil