



Certified Professional Guardianship and Conservatorship Board

Monday, September 12, 2022
Zoom Meeting
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES	
Members Present	Members Absent
Judge Diana Kiesel, Chair	Ms. Amanda Witthauer
Judge Grant Blinn ¹	Ms. Melanie Maxwell
Judge Robert Lewis	Ms. Susie Starrfield
Judge Ferguson-Brown	
Dr. K. Penney Sanders	Staff Present
Mr. William Reeves	Ms. Stacey Johnson
Ms. Lisa Malpass	Ms. Kathy Bowman
Mr. Dan Smerken	Ms. Thai Kien
Dr. Anita Souza	Mr. Samar Malik
Ms. Kristina Hammond	Ms. Sherri White
	Ms. Kay King
	Ms. Rhonda Scott
	Ms. Linda Vass
	Ms. Maureen Roberts

Guests – See last page

1. Meeting Called to Order

Judge Diana Kiesel called the September 12, 2022 Certified Professional Guardianship and Conservatorship Board meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

2. Welcome, Roll Call

Judge Kiesel welcomed all present and thanked the public for their patience as we adjust to new agenda.

Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the August 8, 2022 Board meeting minutes. The motion passed.

3. Executive Session (Closed to Public)

4. Reconvene (Open to Public)

¹ Judge Blinn joined at 7:57 a.m.

5. Chair's Report

Judge Kiesel announced that all CPGC's in attendance for the October Board meeting will be eligible to receive 1 CEU. Two guest speakers, experienced in the field of mental health and disabilities, will be presenting on how CPGC's can better support persons with disabilities.

6. Grievance Report

Staff reported that seven new (7) grievances were received during the month of August and sixty-two (62) for the year. To date, the Board has dismissed twenty-one (21) grievances received in 2022 as incomplete or for no jurisdiction. At this time, there are 265 active CPGCs, an increase of 8 over last month.

7. Vote on Executive Session Discussion

On behalf of the Applications Committee, Judge Robert Lewis presented the following applications for certification. The Application Committee abstained.

Motion: A motion was made and seconded to deny Shelley Cooke's application for certification for insufficient transferable experience. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to approve Jacob Dennis' application for certification with transferable skills in social services. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to deny Katie Osgood's application for certification for insufficient transferable experience. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to defer Dawn Powers' application for certification and request additional detail. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to conditionally approve Heather Suiter's application for certification, conditioned on the completion of mandatory training, with transferable skills in financial. The motion passed.

On behalf of the Standards of Practice Committee, Judge Blinn presented the following grievances for Board action. Members of the Standards of Practice Committee abstained.

Motion: A motion was made to forward complete grievance 2022-058 to the Superior Court. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-060 for no jurisdiction. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-061 as incomplete. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to forward complete grievance 2022-062 to the Superior Court. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-014 following court review. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-016 following court review. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-039 following court review. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-042 following court review. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-023 for no actionable conduct. The motion passed.

8. Wrap Up/Adjourn

Dan Smerken noted that the long October meeting will include a 30-minute discussion on the new GR 23 language, including time for public comment. With no other business to discuss, the September 12, 2022 CPGC Board meeting was adjourned at 8:51 a.m. A special Board meeting will take place Wednesday, September 14, at 8:00 a.m. via Zoom teleconference.

Recap of Motions:

MOTION SUMMARY		STATUS
Motion:	A motion was made to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022 Board meeting as amended.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to forward complete grievance 2022-058 to the Superior Court. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-060 for no jurisdiction. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-061 as incomplete. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to forward complete grievance 2022-062 to the Superior Court. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-014 following court review. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-016 following court review. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-039 following court review. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-042 following court review. The motion passed.	Passed
Motion:	A motion was made to dismiss grievance 2022-023 for no actionable conduct. The motion passed.	Passed

Guests:

Stephen Manning
Samantha Hellwig
Michele Penberthy
Sarah Tremblay
Kecia Hedgeman

Scott Wolfrom
Beth Peoples
Karen Klem Newman
Deborah Jameson