



The State Bar *of California*

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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

THE COMMITTEE OF STATE BAR ACCREDITED AND REGISTERED SCHOOLS (CSBARS) OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA TELECONFERENCE

October 14, 2020

A meeting of the State Bar of California's Committee of State Bar Accredited and Registered Schools (CSBARS) convened in open session at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 via Zoom teleconference, Chair Jackie Gardina presiding.

The open session portion of the meeting concluded at approximately 3:00 p.m., at which time the meeting adjourned, there being no closed session.

A. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Chair Jackie Gardina called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Greg Brandes, Jay Frykberg, Paul Kramer, Martin Pritikin, Greg Murphy, and Brian Purtill.

Staff Present: Amy Nuñez, Audrey Ching, Natalie Leonard, Ken Holloway, and Grant Wekesser.

B. CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Gardina called for public comment in connection with each item as it was discussed. Members of the public were also invited to send written comments as soon as possible during or after the meeting to admissions@calbar.ca.gov or natalie.leonard@calbar.ca.gov.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the CSBARS meeting of August 20, 2020 were approved without amendment after a motion made by Greg Murphy and seconded by Brian Purtill. The minutes were then approved unanimously. Paul Kramer was able to participate in the vote because he had attended the October 2020 meeting as an observer.

D. DISCUSSION OF ACCREDITED RULES REVISION PROPOSAL

Discussion continued regarding the proposal to revise and replace the Accredited Law School Rules. In August, both the CSBARS proposal and staff alternative were discussed and presented to the Committee of Bar Examiners later that week. Subsequent to the Committee of Bar Examiners' meeting, Committee members Paul Kramer and Michael Cao met weekly to review the proposals, watch the tape of the August CSBARS meeting, and conduct a question and answer session with Deans Gardina and Pritikin. Members Kramer and Cao also attended the October 2020 CSBARS meeting for further discussion of the accredited rules proposals along with members of CSBARS. Members Kramer and Cao indicated that they would synthesize their notes and recommended several changes to the accredited rules proposal before discussing with the Committee of Bar Examiners at its August meeting.

E. STAFF REPORT

Staff provided an update on the administration of the October 2020 Bar Exam.

Schools were also reminded to return their Surveys on Student Retention Programs as soon as possible to assist the Office of Access & Inclusion to evaluate programs across the state to improve law student retention.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next meeting will take place via Zoom on Wednesday, December 2, 2020, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

End Open Session

No Closed Session

MEETING ADJOURNED