



The State Bar *of California*

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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

MEETING OF THE LAW SCHOOL COUNCIL OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA HELD JOINTLY WITH THE COMMITTEE ON STATE BAR ACCREDITED AND REGISTERED SCHOOLS

DECEMBER 3, 2021

Via Zoom Conference Call

A meeting of the Law School Council of The State Bar of California convened in open session at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, Interim Chair Devin Kinyon presiding. The open session portion of the meeting concluded at approximately 11:30 a.m., at which time the meeting adjourned, there being no closed session.

A. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Chair: Devin Kinyon

Law School Council Members: Susan Bakhshian, Nydia Dueñez, Grace Hum, Christopher Ide-Don, Donald Smythe

Absent: Jennifer Mnookin

The meeting was called to order by Interim Chair Devin Kinyon at 9:30 a.m.

B. CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

A call for public comment was made. Peoples College of Law Administrator Rebecca Hirsch announced her attendance.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAW SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 22, 2021

Minutes of the Law School Council Meeting of August 22, 2021 were approved unanimously.

D. STAFF REPORT

1. Report on Implementation of Accredited Law School Rules, effective January 1, 2022

The new law school rules took effect on January 1, 2022. Accredited law schools must be in full compliance within two years from that date. Jointly accredited application materials and annual report templates will be issued along with an announcement when they are available.

2. Report on February 2022 Bar Examination

The February 2022 bar exam will take place in person. Law schools are urged to remind their applicants to review the COVID safety policy in order to be prepared to comply with all elements, including use of the CLEAR app where applicable. Full information is available on the State Bar's website and was also provided in an email to law school deans last week.

3. Applications for new CSBARS Members due March 1, 2022

Deans of unaccredited or accredited law schools interested in applying to serve a three-year term participating in CSBARS must apply by March 1, 2022 using the application on the CSBARS webpage at calbar.ca.gov.

4. Recent Developments

- The State Bar will send out its annual email directing accredited and unaccredited law schools to verify the web placement and content of the 2022 Annual Disclosures posted pursuant to California Business and Professions Code 6061.7(a).
- All law schools are reminded to fill out the Campus Climate Survey from the National LGBTQ+ Bar by February 28, 2022 if they plan to participate. This year, accredited and unaccredited law schools are being included in the survey for the first time as a special project.
- As needed, usually on the six Fridays preceding the bar exam, the State Bar forwards copies of bar exam email reminders sent to applicants, along with other helpful information, to California law school deans and registrars. Other California law school administrators may also request to be added to this list by sending their names, titles and emails to lawschoolregulation@calbar.ca.gov.
- Thank you to the many law schools who have been participating in the State Bar of California's focus groups on retention coordinated through the Office of Access & Inclusion. There will be one final 90-minute group on February 1. To participate, email lawschoolregulation@calbar.ca.gov to designate a representative.

ADJOURNMENT

The open session concluded at approximately 11:30 a.m. and the meeting adjourned, there being no closed session.

End Open Session

No Closed Session

MEETING ADJOURNED