



The State Bar of California

Committee of State Bar Accredited and Registered Schools Teleconference

Open Session Minutes
Wednesday, June 21, 2023
1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.

Time Meeting Commenced: The Committee on State Bar Accredited and Registered Schools meeting commenced in open session at 1:00 p.m.

Time Meeting Adjourned: 3:00 p.m.

Chair: Linda Keller

Committee Coordinator: Natalie Leonard

Members Present: Michael Clancey, Jim Efting, Linda Keller, George Leal, Kevin Marshall, Jessica Park

Members Absent: None

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ROLL CALL

The Committee on State Bar Accredited and Registered Schools was called to order by Chair Keller. Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Keller noted that one public comment had been received and that one member of the public had signed up for public comment, Todd Hill. Chair Keller called for public comment, inquiring as to whether there were person(s) who wished to comment on any agenda item.

Verbal Public Comment:

Todd Hill: Described concerns about his law school and indicated that he wanted to be certain that public comments were distributed to the members of CSBARS.

Written Public Comment:

One written public comment from Todd Hill was distributed to all CSBARS members.

I. CHAIR'S TIME

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 19, 2023 CSBARS MEETING

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the April 19, 2023 CSBARS meeting be approved.

Moved by Marshall, seconded by Clancey.

Aye – (6) Clancey, Keller, Leal, Marshall, Park
No – (0)
Abstain – (1) Efting
Motion carries.

b. CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair called attention to the items relating to law schools that are agendaized for discussion at the Committee of Bar Examiners' meeting on June 23, 2023.

II. STAFF REPORT

- a. Blue Ribbon Commission on the Future of the Bar Exam: An administrative update of next steps was shared.
- b. Rules Timelines: Proposed rules amendments, including fee changes, were discussed. The public will continue to have opportunities to comment on proposals listed on the State Bar's public comment page.
- c. Report from the Office of the Public Trust Liaison: PTL Enrique Zuniga visited and explained the function of that office.
- d. CSBARS applications are due by June 30, 2023 and applications available on the State Bar's CSBARS web page.
- e. Recent Developments
The recent development reports consisted of reminders: 1) in order to establish an exemption to the First-Year Law Students' Examination by attending an accredited law school, the student must be fully eligible to advance to the second year; 2) transferring students should have an evaluation of previous study and proposed plan prior to transferring.

III. Further Discussion of Best Practices for Preservation of Student Transcripts When a Law School Closes

A brief discussion centered on a call for clarity as to the nature, age, and frequency of the documents to be maintained. CSBARS members from law schools discussed informally that transcripts were the key documents that should be identified for preservation.

IV. Discussion of Best Practices for Demographic Data Collection

Staff briefly mentioned that law schools are encouraged to plan ahead to collect all demographic data requested. Schools will also be surveyed as to the methods used to collect the data to understand current best practices.

MEETING ADJOURNED