



BOARD OF CERTIFIED REPORTERS

Arizona State Courts Building
1501 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Hearing Room 109
1:00 P.M.
September 13, 2011

Approved Regular Meeting Minutes

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Present:

Hon. Peter B. Swann
J. Tyrell Taber

Telephonically Present:

Patricia Calabro, *Vice Chair*
Cheryl Austin
Terri Faust
Kathleen Montalvo
Patricia Seguin

Absent:

G. Allen Sonntag, *Chair*
Hon. Edward W. Bassett

OTHER ATTENDEES

AOC Staff:

Nancy Swetnam, *Director*
Jennifer Greene
Debbie MacDougall
Nathan Perry
Beth Rensvold
Kimberly Siddall

Guests:

Melissa Gonsalves
Pamela Griffin, *Griffin and Associates*
Nancy Palumbo

CALL TO ORDER

Called to Order By: Patricia Calabro, *Vice Chair*

Time: 1:02 P.M.

1) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1-A: Review and approval of Regular Minutes for the meeting of July 12, 2011.

Individual Addressing the Board: Patricia Calabro, *Vice Chair*

Discussion: No discussion

Motion: Move to approve Regular Minutes for the meeting of July 12, 2011.

Motion Proposals: First J. Tyrell Taber
Second Kathleen Montalvo

Motion Results: Pass

1-B: Review and approval of Executive Minutes for the meeting of July 12, 2011.

Individual Addressing the Board: Patricia Calabro, *Vice Chair*

Discussion: No discussion

Motion: Move to approve Executive Session Minutes for the meeting of July 12, 2011.

Motion Proposals: First Terri Faust
Second J. Tyrell Taber

Motion Results: Pass

2) PENDING COMPLAINTS:

2-A: There are no pending complaints at this time.

3) ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES:

3-A: Review, discussion, and possible action regarding the establishment of the 2012 Board meeting schedule.

Individual Addressing the Board: Debbie MacDougall

Discussion: Staff recommends the Board continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the applicable month at 1:00 P.M. as follows:

*January 10, 2012
February 14, 2012
April 10, 2012
June 12, 2012
August 14, 2012
October 9, 2012
December 11, 2012*

Motion: Move to amend the currently scheduled meeting from February 14, 2011 to February 21, 2011 and adopt staff recommendations.

The amended Board Meeting schedule is as follows:

*January 10, 2012
February 21, 2012
April 10, 2012
June 12, 2012
August 14, 2012
October 9, 2012
December 11, 2012*

Motion Proposals: First J. Tyrell Taber

Second Cheryl Austin

Motion Results: Pass

4) INITIAL CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY

4-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending initial certification application of the following applicants:

- 1. Nancy Palumbo*
- 2. Judith H. Johnson*
- 3. Linda B. Shaw*
- 4. Nicole J. Sesta*

Individuals Addressing the Board: Kimberly Siddall

Discussion: The following applicant has submitted a complete application, demonstrating they meet the minimum eligibility requirements, and no information has been presented during the background check which is contrary to certification being granted. It is recommended the Board grant initial certification to the following applicant:

1. Nancy Palumbo

Motion: Move to accept recommendation and grant certification to applicant Palumbo.

Motion Proposals: First J. Tyrell Taber
Second Kathleen Montalvo

Motion Results: Pass

Discussion: The following applicant has submitted a complete application, demonstrating they meet the minimum eligibility requirements, and disclosed involvement in a personal injury lawsuit in 1989. The applicant was certified from April 11, 2005 through December 31, 2005. It is recommended the Board grant initial certification to the following applicant:

2. Judith H. Johnson

Motion: Move to accept recommendation and grant certification to applicant Johnson.

Motion Proposals: First J. Tyrell Taber
Second Hon. Peter B. Swann

Motion Results: Pass

Discussion: The following applicant remains incomplete pending the results of the Arizona Written Examination. It is recommended the following applicant be deferred to the November 8, 2011 meeting.

3. Linda B. Shaw

Motion: Staff recommends the matter be deferred to the meeting scheduled for November 8, 2011.

Motion Proposals: First J. Tyrell Taber
Second Hon. Peter B. Swann

Motion Results: Pass

Discussion: The following applicant has submitted a complete application, demonstrating they meet the minimum eligibility requirements, and no information has been presented during the background check which is contrary to certification being granted. It is recommended the Board grant initial certification to the following applicant:

4. *Nicole J. Sesta*

Motion: Move to accept recommendation and grant certification to applicant Sesta.

Motion Proposals: First Terri Faust
Second Kathleen Montalvo

Motion Results: Pass

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Individuals Addressing the Board: **Pamela Griffin**, *Griffin and Associates*, stated her opinion in regards to a national court reporting firm operating in the State of Arizona and requests the clarification of various dismissals in regards to complaints regarding national firms.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move to adjourn.

Motion Proposals: First Hon. Peter B. Swann
Second J. Tyrell Taber

Motion Results: Pass

Time: 1:19 P.M.

Initials: NP