## STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF SHORTHAND REPORTERS MINUTES

#### MAY 24, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Christine Mannix, Chairperson, on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 8:45 a.m. at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT, 06103, in Hearing Room J.

Board Members Present: Christine Mannix, Shorthand Reporter

Chairperson

Lisa Graziano Shorthand Reporter

**Board Members Absent:** Maria Hughes Shorthand Reporter

William Mangini Public Member

**Board Member Vacancy:** Public Member, Attorney Member

**Board Counsel Absent:** Jose Rene Martinez, Assistant Attorney General

**DCP Board Staff Present:** Karen Layman, Secretary

Richard Hurlburt, Director

Others Present: Julianne Avallone, DCP, Legal Director

Paulette Annon, DCP Staff Attorney Andrea Kingsley, President, CCRA

Tracy Gow, Member, CCRA

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### **ITEM ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:**

The Board voted unanimously to add the following item to the agenda as the first order of business: Senate Bill No. 191.

# SENATE BILL NO. 191 – An Act Concerning Charitable Bingo Games, Bazaars, Raffles, the Department of Consumer Protection and Occupational Licensing

Board Members expressed their concerns regarding the potential elimination of the Shorthand Reporters Board and the Shorthand Reporters licensing program in the presence of Julianne Avallone, Director of Legal Division. Director Avallone responded and provided an overview of why certain license types were being looked at and the thought process behind it.

Julianne Avallone suggested that Board Members contact Assistant Attorney General Raul Rodriguez to see if they can act in the capacity of Board Members to oppose the bill, or they may act as individuals and contact state representatives or hire lobbyists in order to purse their intent to maintain licensure.

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 21, 2017 and March 20, 2017 State Board of Examiners of Shorthand Reporters meetings and voted unanimously to approve as written.

#### COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

Tracy Gow and Andrea Kingsley, Connecticut Court Reporters Association, were in attendance to respond to discussion regarding Senate Bill No. 191.

#### **APPLICATIONS:**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### 1. Continuing education audit for the 2014-2016 cycle

The Board reviewed continuing education submissions from licensees.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

(See "SENATE BILL NO. 191")

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Letter of resignation from Kathleen Kowalyshyn,	Attorney Board Member, dated
February 21, 2017	

Board so noted

## <u>DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:</u>

1. Statutory Report for Occupational and Professional Boards – Quarter 1, 2017

Board so noted

2. Occupational Licensing Enforcement Report Pursuant to P.A. 14-210 submitted to the Legislative Review Committee as required under such Act.

The Board reviewed this report and requested that Director John Neumon of the Investigations Division provide an update on Case No. 2017-107 and Case No. 2017-26.

#### COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman Board Secretary

## **2017 MEETING SCHEDULE**

- August 23, 2017
- November 29, 2017

All meetings will take place at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT, 06103 at 8:30 a.m.