

Minutes

Web and Audio Conference of the Executive Committee Uniform Law Commission

August 17, 2021
Chicago, IL

Timothy Berg, Chair of the Executive Committee, called the meeting to order on August 17, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. Chicago Time.

The following members of the Committee were present: Daniel Robbins, President; Diane Boyer-Vine, Vice President; Tom Buiteweg, Treasurer; Lisa Jacobs, Committee on Scope and Program Chair; Ryan Leonard, Secretary; Carl H. Lisman, Immediate Past President; Steve Wilborn, Legislative Committee Chair; Elena Duarte; Lani Ewart; and Melissa Hortman.

Also present: Tim Schnabel, Executive Director; Elizabeth Cotton-Murphy, Chief Administrative Officer; Ben Orzeske, Chief Counsel; and Katie Robinson, Legislative Program Director.

1. Life Membership Request

A motion was made and approved nominating Candace Zierdt (ND) for election to life member of the Conference.

2. Designation of new ABA President Reginald Turner as ULC Advisory Member

A motion was made and approved granting advisory member status under Section 2.9 of the Constitution to Reginald Turner (American Bar Association).

3. Proposal for standing committee on stakeholder outreach

President Robbins summarized the written proposal submitted for the Executive Committee's consideration. Outreach to third party stakeholders is critical to our work. The proposal is to create a standing Stakeholder Outreach Committee tasked with commissioner outreach, collection and cataloguing of third-party commissioner contacts, and ongoing and systematic cultivation of stakeholder relationships, so as to assist study and drafting committee chairs with what is currently a decentralized process.

A motion was made and approved authorizing the creation of a Stakeholder Outreach Committee.

4. Hybrid meetings and post annual meeting survey

Chair Berg reported on the fall scheduling of hybrid committee meetings and led a discussion on the pros and cons of conducting a survey to gather data about hybrid meeting setup and

functionality.

5. Committee to Review ULC Acts

President Robbins reported on plans to expand the charge of the Committee to Review ULC Acts to include a systematic and comprehensive examination of drafting successes and failures in an attempt to identify why some projects succeed while others fail.

6. Executive Session

The committee went into an executive session at 2:33 p.m.

The executive session ended at 3:17 p.m.

A motion was made and approved to authorize a budget increase of \$200,000, subject to adjustment for the cost of benefits elections, to enable an expansion of the legislative staff, with any additional increases contingent on further approval from the Executive Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:19 p.m. Central Time.