

Washington Uniform Law Commission (WULC)
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2025

This meeting was coordinated by the Code Reviser's Office (CRO), 505 12th Ave. SW, Olympia, WA, 98504, as a Zoom conference.

1. Call to Order/Attendance

Chair Michele Radosevich (MR) called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

Commissioners in attendance: Michele Radosevich (MR), Kathy Buchli (KB), Dennis Cooper (DC), Jamie Pedersen (JP), and Marlin Appelwick (MA).

Commissioners absent: Anita Ramasastry (AR) and Karen Boxx (KBX).

Shayne O'Grady (SO) and Jennifer Bourke (JB) from the Code Reviser's Office and Jane Sternecky (JS) from the Uniform Law Commission also attended the meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes of February 12, 2025, Meeting

JP made a motion, seconded by DC, to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2025, meeting. All in attendance voted to approve and the minutes were adopted.

3. Fiscal Report

KB shared that dues (just over \$70,000) have been paid and are current. All reimbursable fees and travel costs will be covered. She encouraged group to get as many travel reimbursement requests submitted to have them paid in current fiscal year due to reduced CRO budget for next year.

3. Legislative Report

JP reported for that for the 2025 session, the Uniform Custodial Trust Act and the Uniform Antitrust Premerger Notification Act have passed. Both have been signed by the governor. One of the bills that did not make it through the House is the Military and Overseas Voters Act. Next year JP may ask Representative Mena to sponsor a companion bill to the Senate bill to increase the chances of passage. Also work continues on the Consumer Debt Default Judgments Act.

JP introduced JS from the Uniform Law Commission. JS and ULC staff have identified four specific recommendations for the 2026 Legislative Plan. They include the Premarital and Marital Agreements Act, the Prevention of and Remedies for Human Trafficking Act, the Law on Notarial Acts, Revised, and the Mortgage Modification Act.

4. Commissioner Activities

DC reported that he continues to serve as chair of the Parliamentary Practice Committee; the committee is searching for a vice chair. He reported the business agenda for annual meeting is now available and has twelve sessions. He is working with Katie Robinson to assign parliamentarians to each session with an alternate. They are working on preparing a zoom meeting for chairs that will take place in second or third week of June. Eric Weeks is now the Executive Director of the ULC.

MA reported that he is not participating in any national committees at this time but is looking forward to the annual conference.

KB still working on State Government Use of AI Committee. Not much to report currently as they are still in early discussions.

JP reported that he is co-chairing the study committee on the Article 5 Amendment Process. That committee is in the process of figuring out how to wind down. He continues to chair the Parentage Act Enactment Committee. Three states look promising for enactment in 2025: Hawaii, Oregon and Illinois. JP continues to serve on the Scope and Program Committee and the Legislative Council.

MR has been appointed a committee member for study committee for neural data and biometrics. She is also a member of an ad hoc committee for proposals going to scope or that are politically divisive. They have only had one meeting so far but have been able to flag interest groups that would be interested in these proposals.

5. Other Business

Shayne emailed the travel forms to all members.

6. Adjournment

Chair MR adjourned the meeting at 4:43 PM.