

Washington Uniform Law Commission (WULC)
Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2019

This meeting was held in person at the Law Offices of Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, Madison Center, 505 Madison, Suite 3300, Seattle, WA 98104.

1. Call to Order 4:00 PM/Attendance

Chair Dennis Cooper called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

Chair Dennis Cooper (DC) and Commissioners Marlin Appelwick (MA), Jamie Pedersen (JP), Michele Radosevich (MR), and Kathy Buchli (KB) attended the meeting in person. Commissioner Anita Ramasastry (AR) attended the meeting by phone.

Jessica Braatz (JB) and Shayne O'Grady (SO) also attended the meeting by phone.

2. Approval of Minutes of May 8, 2019 Meeting

MR made a motion, seconded by JP, to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2019 meeting. All in attendance voted to approve.

3. Legislative Report

A. 2019 Session

DC reported on the six bills which passed during the 2019 legislative session. JP provided information regarding the Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Other Protective Arrangements Act which was the last Act to be signed into law despite veto requests.

B. 2020 Session

The commissioners discussed six acts likely to be introduced in the upcoming 2020 legislative session:

- Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act
- Uniform Electronic Transactions Act
- Revised Uniform Athlete Agents Act
- Uniform Electronic Recordation of Custodial Interrogations Act
- Uniform Highly Automated Vehicles Act
- Uniform Directed Trust Act

The commission is holding off on introducing the Family Law Arbitration Act, the Fiduciary Income and Principal Act, and the Electronic Wills Act until at least the 2021 legislative session.

4. Annual Meeting Results – Anchorage 2019

DC discussed five bills that were approved at the annual meeting of the National Uniform Law Commission (NULC):

- Revised Uniform Probate Code

- Uniform Electronic Wills Act
- Uniform Automated Operation of Vehicles Act
- Amendments to Revised Uniform Athlete Agents Act
- Uniform Registration of Canadian Money Judgments Act

AR gave a report on her two-year term as NULC president, which is now completed.

5. Annual Dues – July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

DC provided a letter from the NULC which indicated annual dues for fiscal year 2021; \$63,600. JB reported that the Code Reviser's Office will pay the dues in May or June of 2020.

6. Annual Report to Governor

DC will work with KB to put together the annual report to the Governor, which will also be sent to the NULC.

7. Website Review

DC directed commissioners to send any website updates to KB. JP suggested moving 2020's legislation to "Pending Legislation" and Electronic Wills to "Stakeholder Review." MA suggested an update to the WULC's history to include documentation through AR's presidency and bills passed.

8. Commissioner Activities

DC is head of Parliamentarians and will instruct chairs of drafting committee and committee of the whole.

MR is chairing a study committee on telemedicine.

AR is on a joint – NULC-American Law Institute study committee-considering revisions to the Uniform Commercial Code in light of new technologies. She also serves on the Executive Committee as the NULC immediate Past President.

JP is on the executive committee.

KB is on the study committee on Healthcare Law.

DC thanked KB for getting the CLE credits approved and MR for ensuring an ethics credit was included.

9. New Business & Setting Meeting Dates 2020

The commissioners set meeting dates for 2020: February 12, May 20, November 12.

The next annual NULC conference will be in Madison, Wisconsin, in July of 2020.

DC moved to appoint MR as Chair of the WULC. MR was elected chair by acclamation. KB is to continue on as Secretary.

The commission thanked outgoing chair DC for his leadership and service.

10. Adjournment

DC adjourned the meeting at 5:01 PM.