

# STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 2, 2005

Suite 111, 110 Centerview Drive

Columbia, SC

The State Board of Architectural Examiners convened March 2, 2005, in Columbia, South Carolina. Chairman Ward called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following attended the meeting:

Dennis S. Ward	Chairman
J. Eugene Matthews	Vice-Chairman
Jose Caban	Secretary
Stokes Browning	Member
W. Barry Jenkins	Member
Jan B. Simpson	Administrator
Todd Bond	Investigator
Alice D. Richardson	Administrative Assistant
Sharon Dantzler, Esq.	LLR Advice Counsel

Member Tom Johnson was contacted prior to the meeting and his office staff indicated he would not be in attendance.

Administrator Simpson stated the **public notice** of the meeting was properly posted at the Board office and provided to organizations and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the S.C. Freedom of Information Act. A quorum was present at all times.

**Minutes:** Motion by Matthews, Second by Browning: To accept the **Minutes** of the January 26, 2005, with the following modifications.

Member Matthews reported that the Design Professional Group has planned three jointly sponsored continuing education events to be held on **June 2nd** in Greenville, June 9<sup>th</sup> in Charleston and June 16<sup>th</sup> in Columbia. AIA/South Carolina will co-sponsor this event with the Design Professionals and will design and print the brochures, nametags and agenda. The registration fee will be \$50, and attendees will be able to receive a total of 6 hours of HSW credits. Administrator Simpson reminded the Board that they will provide funding from the Architecture Education and Research Fund. The minutes reflected an incorrect date of June 7<sup>th</sup>.  
Motion carried.

**Exam Candidate** – Motion by Browning, Second by Jenkins: To approve the following person to begin taking the Architect Registration Examination. Motion carried.

Sally King

**Compliance:**

Motion by Browning, Second by Matthews: To accept the IRC Recommendations on the following cases. Motion Carried.

Case No. 2004-14	Dismiss – Letter of Caution
Case No. 2004-22	Dismiss
Case No. 03/04-52	Dismiss
Case No. 2004-21	Dismiss, Letter of Caution

The following cases were reviewed by the IRC and will go forward with issuance of a Formal Complaint.

Case No. 2004-2  
Case No. 03/04-47

**Budget Report:** The Board accepted as information the Budget Report prepared by LLR's Finance division for the period ending January 31, 2005.

**NCARB Committee Updates:**

**A.R.E Committee (Caban/Ward)**

?? The Committee continues to revise and update the ARE, working toward a new exam in coming years.

**IDP and IDP Coordinating Committee (IDPCC) (Simpson)**

?? The number of weeks of continuous work experience required for IDP credit is being reduced from 10 consecutive weeks to 8 consecutive weeks IF APPROVED BY THE NCARB BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

?? The \$50 annual maintenance fee charged by NCARB after three years of enrollment in IDP is being waived for students enrolled in an accredited degree program. NCARB also agreed to refund the \$50 fee retroactively to anyone who had paid it.

The genesis of changes such as these can be traced to conversations with architecture students, so there is a direct correlation between Committee participation and the opportunity to affect change in the profession that benefits South Carolina practitioners, students, and interns.

**Educators' Conference (Ward)**

?? NAAB Student Performance Criteria has been changed. These changes were distributed to the Board for their review.

**IDP Coordinators Conference (Jenkins)**

?? The IDP State Coordinator position is currently vacant and needs to be filled by AIA/SC appointment.

?? *Emerging Professionals Companion* is now available online at the AIA website. This resource can be used to attain IDP Training Units.

Member Jenkins will work with Rob Silance, IDP Educator Coordinator, to set up a spring meeting at Clemson University to introduce this *Emerging Professionals Companion* to students.

**Taking ARE concurrently with IDP:** Most states require completion of NCARB's Intern Development Program before interns can start taking the ARE. Currently however, California and Texas allow candidates to take the ARE prior to completion of IDP. Member Ward expressed concern regarding this and asked for feedback from the Board. Member Jenkins stated this topic was brought up at the IDP Coordinators Conference where one of the major concerns was the Rolling Window. Could interns penalize themselves by taking the exam early? A straw poll taken at the Coordinators Conference showed 60% were in favor of allowing interns to take the exam prior to completion of IDP. Member Ward feels that interns should be allowed to take the exam prior to completion of IDP. Jenkins concern is that it would diminish the perceived value of IDP. Member Caban believes that interns should take the ARE after completion of IDP. This item will be carried over to the May meeting for further discussion on its impact on interns and reciprocity.

The board recessed for a brief catered lunch.

Members Ward and Jenkins and Administrator Simpson will attend the March 2005 Regional Meeting in Memphis, TN.

### **Administrator's Report:**

#### **License Statistics**

##### Active Architects

In-state	962
Out-of-state	2324

##### Emeritus

In-state	37
Out-of-state	16

Firms	1006
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*{end of Administrator's Report}*

### **Non-Agenda Items:**

The Board was informed that the company name "Architectural Salvage" was approved by staff for use by a firm that sells salvaged building parts.

**Building Official Manual:** The revised draft of the Building Official Manual will be forwarded to the Engineering Board in April for their review/revision of the engineering-related sections with a request that they submit their feedback by May. The Board would like to have the Manual completed by the May meeting.

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**Sealing Consultants Plans Policy (Draft):** Member Ward drafted a Board Policy regarding sealing consultants plans. The board will continue reviewing the draft and discuss revisions at the May meeting.

**Design Professionals:** Member Matthews asked Administrator Simpson to include discussion of the Fire Marshal's policy to require annual inspections of fire alarm systems (NFPA – 72) on the next Design Professionals Meeting agenda. Member Ward would also like IBC 2003 – Chapter 17, Inspections, to be placed on the agenda as well. These items will be addressed further at the May Meeting.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jose R. Caban, Secretary