

MINUTES
SC Board of Architectural Examiners
Board Meeting
9:56 a.m., September 29, 2021
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive
Columbia, SC

Meeting Called to Order

Brad Smith, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:56 a.m. Other members participating were Charles Muldrow, Brad Smith, Amanda Green and Sanders Tate.

Staff members participating in this meeting included Lenora Addison-Miles, Administrator; Alice DeBorde, Program Coordinator; Rodney Pigford, LLR Office of Investigations and Enforcement; Shelby Sutusky and Christa Bell, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, Stacey Hewson, Advice Counsel; and Holly Beeson, Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs.

Statement of Public Notice

Smith announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Board of Architectural Examiners office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Due to technical issues with the live streaming on YouTube, the board began the meeting discussing items that did not require a board vote.

Reports

Office of Investigations and Enforcement Report

From January 1, 2021 to September 22, 2021, 13 total complaints received, 4 active investigations and 2 closed. The Board accepted this as information.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report

As of September 22, 2021, four (4) cases have been opened, three (3) are pending a hearing and seven (7) have been closed since the last report. The board accepted this as information.

Administrators Report

Number of Active Credentials by Prefix and
Subcategory
Board: ARCHITECT
as of 8/26/2019

Credential	Description	Count
AR	Architect	4315
ARA	Partnership Firm	10
ARB	Business Corporation Firm	132
ARC	Professional Association Firm	67
ARD	Sole Proprietor Firm	20
ARF	Firms	1341
	Subt Total	5885

Licensure Statistics – Active licenses as of 9/13/2021

Number of Active Credentials by Prefix and
 Subcategory
 Board: ARCHITECT
 as of 9/13/2021

Credential	Description	Count
AR	Architect	4515
ARA	Partnership Firm	11
ARB	Business Corporation Firm	121
ARC	Professional Association Firm	63
ARD	Sole Proprietor Firm	21
ARF	Firms	1455
	Subt Total	6186

Financial Reports

The board accepted the August 2021 Financial Reports as information.

Board Reports

Member Tate attended the 2021 NCARB Hybrid Annual Meeting in California. Several resolutions were voted on including a refresh of NCARB’s Model Law. NCARB is moving to a neutral position

regarding the licensing of interior designers. The next Annual meeting will be held in Austin, TX and the Regional Meeting will be held in Charlotte, NC.

Members Muldrow and Sanders attended virtual NCARB diversity training seminars.

Chair Smith participated in the Southern Conference MBE Board Chair Conference. Items discussed were equity, diversity and inclusion efforts as well as interior design qualifications.

The technical issues with livestreaming on YouTube were resolved, the board continued the meeting with items that needed a vote.

Approval of the May 19, 2021, Video Conference Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes as presented. Muldrow/Lawrence/Approved.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda as submitted. Muldrow/Lawrence/Approved.

Reports

Investigative Review Committee Report

The following IRC Recommendations were submitted to the Board as a result of the September 16, 2021, IRC meeting:

Case No.	Action
2021-3	Dismiss
2021-9	Dismiss

Motion: To approve IRC recommendations. Green/Lawrence/Approved.

Disciplinary Hearings

No disciplinary hearing this meeting.

Application Hearings

No application hearings this meeting.

New Business

No new business

Unfinished Business

Architect Regulations Update - At the last meeting, the Board was informed that Regulation 4984 was withdrawn because the Senate subcommittee had issues with the Minimum Construction Phase Services language in Section 11-11F. Some believe that these additional

requirements of architects would increase construction costs. Senator Massey recommended withdrawing the regulation and asked that the board work on revisions and consult with the senators who had expressed concerns about additional costs. Holly Beeson attended the meeting to discuss the issues presented by Senator Massey. Mrs. Beeson informed the board that they could resubmit the regulations as previously submitted with the Minimum Construction Phase Services language and/or resubmit with that language removed. After a brief discussion, the board will submit the regulations without the revised Minimum Construction Phase Services language.

Motion: To remove Section 11-11F language as it relates to Minimum Construction Phase Services language and resubmit regulations. Muldrow/Lawrence/Approved.

Per the request from Senator Massey, Mrs. Beeson will schedule a meeting with the Senators and board members Lawrence and Muldrow to discuss their concerns/issues with the language as it relates to Minimum Construction Phase Services.

Funding Request

No funding request submitted.

Other Business

No other business

Public Comments

No public comments

The next meeting of the SC Board of Architectural Examiners will be held November 16, 2021.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Sanders/Lawrence/Approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Alice M. DeBorde, Program Coordinator