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SC Board of Architectural Examiners
Conference Call Board Meeting
11:00 a.m., August 29, 2014
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 204
Columbia, SC

Meeting Called to Order

Anthony Lawrence, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Other members participating were Stephen Russell, Brad Smith, Kate Schwennsen and, Charles Muldrow. Member Tyson Nettles notified the Board in advance that he would be unavailable to participate in the meeting due to a prior commitment.

Staff members participating in this meeting included Lenora Addison-Miles, Administrator; Alice DeBorde, Administrative Assistant; and Darra Coleman, Chief Advice Counsel.

Statement of Public Notice

Mr. Lawrence 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.

Approval of the May 13, 2014, Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes as submitted. Schwennsen/Russell/Approved.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was accepted as submitted. Russell/Schwennsen/Approved

NCARB Proposed Changes to IDP, BEA & BEFA

The National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) is currently seeking comments on proposed changes to the Intern Development Program Phase 1 & 2 (IDP), the Broadly Experienced Architect Program (BEA), and the Broadly Experienced Foreign Architect Program (BEFA). Changes to the IDP specifically relate to the hours required to complete the program and the categories and areas in which interns need to document their experience, while changes to the BEA and BEFA programs relate to eligibility requirements and review processes to complete the programs for NCARB certification.

Intern Development Program (Phase 1 Streamline)

This proposed change will allow interns to complete the IDP upon documenting completion of the core hour requirements. Currently interns must document 3,740 hours in 17 different areas to meet the "core" hour requirements of IDP; however, to complete the program they need to

document an additional 1,860 hours in any of the 17 experience areas. This proposed change would, for the first time since the inaugural year of IDP, require interns to satisfy only the core hour requirements to complete their internship – a total of 3,740 hours.

Motion: To agree with the proposed changes and the Board would adopt changes if approved by NCARB. Russell/Schwennsen/Approved.

Intern Development Program (Phase 2 Overhaul)

The current program includes four (4) experience categories and 17 experience areas. This proposed change calls for development of a new IDP framework in which an intern would be required to document hours in six (6) experience categories only that directly align with the six phase-based areas of contemporary practice; practice management, project management, programming & analysis, project planning & design, project development & documentation, and construction & evaluation. In addition, interns would no longer be required to document hours in numerous experience areas within a given category. Instead, these six categories would include recommended tasks that would qualify for credit as well as a guideline for the “appropriate” amount of diversified experience.

Motion: To agree with the proposed changes and the Board would adopt changes if approved by NCARB. Russell/Schwennsen/Approved.

Broadly Experienced Architect Program (BEA)

Below are the proposed changes:

An applicant for NCARB certification who does not meet the NCARB Education Requirement (a degree from a program in architecture accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)) shall:

- meet a member board’s education and experience requirements for initial licensure (NEW), and
- successfully complete the Architect Registration Examination® (ARE®), and
- maintain a license to practice architecture in the jurisdiction of initial licensure in good standing without disciplinary action, for one year (NEW).

Motion: To agree with the proposed changes and the Board would adopt changes if approved by NCARB. Russell/Schwennsen/Approved.

Broadly Experienced Foreign Architect Program (BEFA)

Below are the proposed changes:

An applicant for NCARB certification who is licensed/credentialed in a country other than the U.S. or Canada shall:

- Hold a current license/credential as an architect in a country that has a formal record keeping method for disciplinary actions for architects, and **Education:** Hold

a recognized education credential that leads to the lawful practice of architecture in a country other than the U.S. or Canada, and

- **Experience (NEW):** Document two years of active licensed/credentialed practice in the country of licensure/credential; or Document two years working in the U.S. under the direct supervision of an architect in responsible control, and
- **Examination (NEW):** Complete the Architect Registration Examination® (ARE®)

Motion: To agree with the proposed changes and the Board would adopt changes if approved by NCARB. Russell/Smith/Approved.

The next meeting of the SC Board of Architectural Examiners will be held September 16, 2014.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting. Russell/Schwennsen/Approved. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice M. DeBorde, Administrative Assistant