

MINUTES
Environmental Certification Regulatory Review Committee Meeting
June 22, 2023 at 10 a.m.
WebEx Webinar/Teleconference Meeting

Call to Order

Ken Tuck called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Statement of Public Notice

Mr. Tuck stated that Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S.C. Environmental Certification Board 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. Members of the public who wish to attend may do so by telephone or the Internet. For login information, please email Contact.Environmental@lir.sc.gov .

Introduction of Board Members and Others

Other committee members participating included Doug Kinard, Ken Tuck, David Baize, Paul Calamita, Esq., Heather Lawson, Jill Miller, and Ronald Swearingen.

Staff members participating included Hardwick Stuart, Esq., Office of Advice Counsel; Johnnie Rose, Administrator; Cleve Langdale, Program Coordinator, and Sherri Mooror, Administrative Coordinator.

Others participating in the meeting included: Charles Gray.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: To approve the agenda of the June 22, 2023, committee meeting.
Miller/Baize/approved

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the March 30, 2023, meeting.
Miller/Lawson/approved

Approval of Excused Absences

MOTION: To excuse Stacey Taylor.
Baize/Lawson/approved

Committee Chairman Remarks

Mr. Tuck said the Board provided language for a continuing education exemption based on age and experience to Chapter 51-4(F) at the April 13, 2023, Board meeting. It has been included in the red-line document provided to the committee members.

New Business – Review of SC Code of Regulations, Chapter 51

The committee provided the following feedback on the draft of the proposed regulation changes:

- The committee agreed that the language proposed by the Board for an age/experience exemption for continuing education is reasonable.
- Mr. Calamita wants language added to Section 51-8 to specify requirements for reciprocity without examination. He will send proposed language for Mr. Stuart and Mr. Rose to review. Mr. Stuart will research requirements in North Carolina, Virginia, and Maryland for guidance on whether to address this in regulation.
- Mr. Rose asked if the definition of “math” and “science” courses applied toward experience credit for license upgrades should be included in the regulations. Mr. Tuck suggested adding this as an agenda item for staff guidance at the July 25, 2023, Board meeting. Previous Board determinations on this issue were to keep it open to interpretation.

Mr. Stuart said that the Board will vote on a Notice of Drafting at the July 27, 2023, meeting. The final language for the regulation changes should be complete by early September for Legislative Review in the 2024 session.

Adjournment

There being no further business,

MOTION: To Adjourn.
Taylor/Tuck/approved

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.