MINUTES

S. C. BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR FORESTERS

Board Meeting
April 18, 2000
The Koger Executive Center
The Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Dr., Room 108
Columbia, South Carolina

Mr. Raymond Boozer, of Gilbert, Vice-Chairman of the Board, called the regular meeting of the S. C. Board of Registration for Foresters to order at 10:00 A.M., on Tuesday, April 18, 2000, at 110 Centerview Drive, Room 108, Columbia, South Carolina, with a quorum present. Other members of the Board present were as follows: Mr. Don M. Handley, Chairman, of Florence; Mr. Fred H. Gantt, of Columbia; Mr. Kenney P. Funderburke, Jr., of Summerville; Mr. Dwight L. Stewart, Jr., of Summerton; and Dr. Larry Nelson, of Clemson. Absent from the meeting was Mr. Charles Moore, II, of Brevard.

Members of the staff participating at various times in the meeting included: Mrs. Lou Ann Pyatt, Board Administrator; Mrs. Wendy Harvey, LLR General Counsel; Mrs. Sharon Dantzler, LLR Deputy General Counsel; Mrs. Terri Hooper, Administrative Assistant; and Mrs. Sandra Dickert, Administrative Assistant.

Mr. Boozer noted that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Board office and provided to any requesting persons, organizations, or news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80(E) of the S. C. Freedom of Information Act.

INVOCATION

Mr. Stewart delivered the invocation.

Mr. Don Handley, of Florence, entered the meeting at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Following a discussion regarding the information on pages two and three regarding individuals with two-year technical degrees, Mr. Boozer moved that five paragraphs be removed and a sentence summarizing the discussion be inserted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stewart, which carried unanimously. Mr. Boozer moved the minutes be approved as amended. Dr. Nelson seconded the motion, which carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS Mr. Handley informed the members of a subcommittee meeting to be held at 2:30 p.m. this afternoon regarding bill S.669. He expressed condolences to Mr. Funderburke on the loss of his brother. He indicated the ASBORF meeting will be in Little Rock, Arkansas in approximately four weeks.

Mr. Funderburke briefly discussed the ASBORF meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REMARKS

Mrs. Pyatt mentioned the subcommittee meeting regarding bill S.669. She also stated she had mailed Mr. Funderburke a card of condolence on behalf of the Board. She stated anyone wishing to attend the ASBORF meeting should see her as soon as possible to complete an out-of-state travel request form.

Mrs. Pyatt stated ten individuals took the exam in March. Nine of the individuals passed. Four of those individuals were retaking the exam.

Mrs. Pyatt stated the Office of Information Services would have the 'licensee look up' on the web page by the end of the month.

It was noted that the full committee would meet tomorrow to discuss the bill. Mrs. Pyatt informed the Board she had spoken with Ms. Lisa Sox, the Clerk to the Committee, who had indicated all of the changes made during the conference call have been included in the amendment.

OLD BUSINESS CFE Committee Report

Dr. Nelson stated that at the last meeting the members had requested changes be made to the first paragraph of the CFE Committee Report (attached as Addendum A). He noted the language in the third sentence of the paragraph has been changed.

Following a brief discussion concerning foresters taking one forester's course at a time or actively enrolled in a forestry major and underlining the word 'forestry' contained in the first paragraph, Mr. Funderburke moved the Board accept policy 4000.3C as modified. Mr. Boozer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Committee Meeting Regarding Continuing Education for Retired Foresters

Mr. Gantt stated he researched the statute relating to continuing education for retired CPAs. He asked the members to review this section to assist in drafting language for continuing education for retired foresters. It was determined that the drafted language could be discussed at a later meeting.

Mr. Handley briefly discussed reciprocal licensees being exempt from continuing education as a result of tenure and age. Mrs. Dantzler stated this action would probably have to be placed in the regulations after the new practice act passes the legislature.

Mr. Stewart asked the Board to consider allowing foresters to carry over more continuing education hours than the five now allowed.

NEW BUSINESS Administrative Procedures Review

Mrs. Dantzler explained the Administrative Procedures Act to the Board. The explanation included reviewing license applications and dealing with possible disciplinary acts against licensees.

Applications for Registration Approval

Mr. Boozer moved to approve the registration applications for Robert Keels and Sylvester Stephens. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion. Following a brief discussion concerning Mr. Keels application and SLED report, Mr. Boozer amended his motion to approve the registration application of Sylvester Stephens. Mr. Stewart seconded the amended motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Gantt moved the Board direct Robert Keels to appear before the Board and that staff advise Mr. Keels why he is being requested to appear before the Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stewart and carried unanimously.

Applications for Reciprocal Registration

Mr. Stewart moved the Board approve the reciprocal registration application for Christopher Crossland Yauger. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gantt and passed unanimously.

Applications for Reinstatement

Mr. Boozer moved the Board accept the reinstatement application for Thomas Hutchins. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Mr. Funderburke thanked the members and staff for their association during his ten-year tenure on the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Mr. Funderburke moved the Board enter executive session to seek legal advice on the Approval Report. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

REGULAR SESSION Mr. Handley noted for the record that no decisions were made and no votes were taken while the Board was in executive session.

Mr. Boozer moved the Board accept staff's recommendation on the Approval and Dismissal Report. The motion was seconded by Dr. Nelson and carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS Mrs. Pyatt presented the members with a draft of the amendment the clerk for the subcommittee has typed with the changes the Board approved during its

conference call meeting on April 7, 2000. The Board reviewed and discussed the amendment to be brought before the subcommittee at this afternoon's meeting. It was determined that the Board's position would be to endorse the amendment and indicate to the subcommittee that the language is good and in the best interest of the public.

ADJOURNMENT Mr. Boozer moved the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The April 18, 2000 meeting of the S. C. Board of Registration for Foresters adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

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