

**MINUTES**  
**SC Board of Registration for Foresters Board Meeting**  
**Special Called Board Meeting**  
**September 23, 2019 at 11 a.m.**  
**Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building**  
**110 Centerview Drive, Conference Room 105**  
**Columbia, South Carolina**

**Meeting Called to Order**

Christian Hendricks, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. Other members participating in the meeting included: Blair Frazier Baldwin, Vice Chairman, of Lancaster; Robert A. Drummond, of Columbia; and Charles Maley, Secretary, of Moore.

Board members participating by telephone conference call included: Michael Mills, of Newberry; William D. Sligh, Jr., of Hartsville; and Brannon Babb, of Honea Path.

Staff members participating during the meeting included: Emily Farr, Agency Director; Abhijit Deshpande, Finance Manager; Hardwick Stuart, Office of Advice Counsel; Pam Dunkin, Administrator; Johnnie Rose, Program Coordinator; and Tear Williams, Administrative Assistant.

**Statement of Public Notice**

Mr. Hendricks stated public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the SC Board of Registration for Foresters office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building and on the board website 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.

**Chairman's Remarks – Christian Hendricks**

Mr. Hendricks welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**New Business – License Fee Analysis and Consideration of Amendment to Regulation 10-16**

Director Farr gave a presentation of the license fee analysis prepared by the Finance Department. The presentation included the current and forecasted financials, and two options for fee increases. Option A proposes a modest fee increase of approximately 20% to all fees for the Board. Option B is a more aggressive plan that proposes a larger increase of approximately 30% to all fees for the Board.

The Board discussed the effects of a recent fee decrease, and the potential of both options to reduce the deficit to the Board. Director Farr assured the Board that the Finance Department is also researching options to reduce expenditures to help offset the deficit, and that they will revisit this issue in the future to determine the necessity of future fee adjustments.

**MOTION:** To support LLR's proposed fee increase Option A. Maley/Baldwin/approved.

The Board requested that an agenda item to discuss a potential continuing education exemption for individual over the age of 65 to November 19, 2019, meeting.

**Executive Session**

No executive session.

**Return to Public Session**

No return to public session.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION:** To adjourn. Drummond/Maley/approved.

The meeting adjourned at 12:44 p.m.