

MINUTES

South Carolina Board of Registration for Geologists
Board Meeting
10:00 AM, May 19, 2005
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 108
Columbia, South Carolina

Jason Terry, Chairman, of Charleston, called the regular meeting of the SC Board of Registration for Geologists to order at 10:00 a.m. Other members present for the meeting included: Vernon T. Ichimura, PhD., Vice-Chairman, of Aiken; R. Craig Kennedy, of Columbia; and Richard D. Warner, PhD., of Clemson.

Troy C. Elmore, of Lancaster, was absent from the meeting.

Staff members participating at various times during the meeting included: Randall Bryant, Assistant Deputy Director; Lenora Addison-Miles, Administrator; Barry Moreland, Administrative Assistant; and Connie Huffstetler Administrative Assistant.

There were no members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Terry announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Board of Registration for Geologists 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.

Pledge of Allegiance

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of January 27, 2005 Meeting Minutes

MOTION

It was noted that corrections to the minutes should be made on page 3, paragraph 5, to change the name Tom Lide to Tom Knight and to change the words "free biased" to "pre-buy". Mr. Kennedy moved the Board approve the minutes of the January 27, 2005 meeting with the noted corrections. Dr. Warner seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chairman's Remarks - Jason Terry

Mr. Terry stated he had no formal remarks and he would try to move the meeting along as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Administrator's Remarks -Lenora Addison-Miles

Ms. Miles introduced Connie Huffstetler as the new administrative assistant, explaining that Sandra Dickert had taken another position within the agency.

Ms. Miles noted that license renewals are underway and notices were mailed on April 29, 2005.

Ms. Miles presented Randall Bryant, Assistant Deputy Director - LLR, who addressed the Board concerning a legislative update. Mr. Bryant gave a brief overview of H.3781, proposed legislation to amend Act 453, commonly called the Engine Bill. Mr. Terry asked Mr. Bryant if the bill would have a negative impact on the Board. Mr. Bryant responded that he did not believe that it would. Mr. Bryant noted that the amendment basically reorganizes the Engine Bill and changes some of the language to make it easier to read and understand. He asked that the Board members review the bill and, at a later meeting, take a vote in support of, or opposition to, the legislation.

Unfinished Business

Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Policy.

Dr. Ichimura presented a draft of a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Policy. He noted that Dr. Warner's comments were included. Mr. Terry presented a copy of the draft with some additional changes and comments.

After discussion among the Board members regarding the proposed policy and recommended changes, it was decided to table the matter and return to it later in the meeting.

New Business

Approval of Licensure via Reinstatement

William A. Quarles

Mr. Quarles allowed his license to lapse on June 30, 1997. He has paid the required fee and provided proof of required CE.

MOTION

Mr. Kennedy moved to approve the application of William A. Quarles. Dr. Warner seconded the motion, which carried.

Approval of Licensure via Comity

Kenneth D. Olson

Mr. Olson is requesting licensure via Comity from Texas.

MOTION

Mr. Kennedy made a motion, seconded by Dr. Warner, to approve the application of Kenneth D. Olson.

Approval of Licensure via Reciprocity/Endorsement

Gregory A. Smith

Mr. Smith is requesting licensure via reciprocity from North Carolina.

MOTION

Mr. Kennedy moved to approve the application of Gregory A. Smith. Dr. Ichimura seconded the motion and it carried.

Vanessa Santos

Ms. Santos is requesting licensure via reciprocity with Georgia. At this time, her file verifies less than two years of employment.

MOTION

Dr. Warner moved that Ms. Santos' application be approved pending receipt by the staff of the additional verification of employment, documenting 5 years of experience as required. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion, which carried.

James T. Duffey

Mr. Duffey is requesting licensure via reciprocity with Georgia.

MOTION

Dr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to approve the application of James T. Duffey.

Matthew F. Colone

Mr. Colone is requesting licensure via reciprocity with North Carolina.

MOTION

Dr. Warner moved to approve the application of Matthew F. Colone. Dr. Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried.

George V. Burbach

Dr. Burbach is requesting his license via reciprocity with North Carolina.

MOTION

Dr. Warner made a motion to approve the application of George V. Burbach. Dr. Ichimura seconded the motion and it carried.

Request for Waiver or Extension of Continuing Education Requirement

Richard J. Gleason

Mr. Gleason is requesting a waiver or extension of time to complete the CE requirements, due to a temporary medical disability.

MOTION

Mr. Kennedy moved to grant an extension to Mr. Gleason to complete the remaining eight hours of continuing education prior to June 30, 2006, contingent upon Mr. Gleason providing medical documentation regarding his illness and proof of eight hours CE in order to renew for fiscal year 2006-2007. Dr. Warner seconded the motion, which carried.

Executive Session

MOTION

Dr. Warner made a motion the Board enter into Executive Session to review the ASBOG examination results.. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ichimura and carried.

Return to Public Session

MOTION

Dr. Warner moved the Board return to Public Session. Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion, which carried.

Mr. Terry noted for the record that no motions were made and no votes were taken during Executive Session.

Approval of ASBOG Scores from March 4, 2005

MOTION

Dr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ichimura, to approve the ASBOG scores from the examination on March 4, 2005. The motion carried.

ASBOG Continuing Education Questionnaire

The Board members reviewed the ABSOG Continuing Education questionnaire, discussed the questions and completed the questionnaire.

SC Examination Prior to ASBOG

The Board members discussed the matter of the SC examination prior to the ASBOG exam. It was decided that Mr. Kennedy would draft a letter on the subject.

Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Policy

The Board members resumed their discussion of the draft and recommended revisions.

MOTION

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the draft of the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Policy with the changes agreed upon by the members. Dr. Ichimura seconded the motion and it carried.

Public Comments

There were no public comments during the May 19, 2005 meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the May 19, 2005 meeting of the SC Board of Registration for Geologists was adjourned.