

**South Carolina Board of Registration for Geologists**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**10:00 a.m., September 11, 2019**  
**Synergy Business Park**  
**Kingstree Building**  
**110 Centerview Drive, Conference Room 204**  
**Columbia, South Carolina 29210**

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

Chairman Daniel Brantley, PG; called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Other Board members present included: Nina Marshtein, PG; and Vernon Ichimura, PG.

Staff members present included: Suzanne Sharpe, Administrator; Pam Dunkin, Administrator; Hardwick Stuart, Esq.; Advice Counsel; Chris Elliott, Esq.; Disciplinary Counsel; Rodney Pigford, Office of Investigations and Enforcement; Chelsea Buchanan, Program Coordinator; Johnnie Rose, Program Coordinator; and Courtney Wise, Program Assistant.

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.

**2. Approval of Excused Absences**

**MOTION:** To excuse Chuck Gorman, PG from the meeting. Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

**3. Adoption of Agenda**

**MOTION:** To adopt the September 11, 2019 agenda. Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

**4. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:** To approve the minutes of the July 12, 2019 meeting. Marshtein/Ichimura/approved.

**5. Office of Investigation & Enforcement**

Mr. Pigford said there are no active investigations or complaints in the Office of Investigations and Enforcement.

**MOTION:** To accept the Investigative Review Committee report for Case #2017-2.  
Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

**6. Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report**

Mr. Elliott said there are no cases in the Office of Disciplinary Counsel.

**7. Chair Remarks**

Mr. Brantley thanked the Board members and staff for attending the meeting. Pam Dunkin was introduced as the new Board Administrator. An internal restructuring moved the Board of Registration

for Professional Geologists to a new work group with the Environmental Certification Board, the Board of Registration for Professional Foresters, the Board of Landscape Architectural Examiners, and the Soil Classifiers Advisory Council.

**8. Administrator's Remarks – Suzanne Sharpe, Administrator**

- a. **Financial Report** – The Board has a cash balance of \$181,225.72 as of August 31, 2019. There was an increase in revenue due to license renewals, which were due on June 30, 2019.
- b. **Licensee Update** – There are 635 Registered Professional Geologists and 41 Geologists-In-Training, as of September 9, 2019.

**9. Old Business**

**a. Discussion of Proposed Regulation Changes**

**MOTION:** To move “Public Comments” under the “Old Business” agenda item.  
Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

The Board received three emails regarding the proposed regulation changes. All of the comments support the proposed changes.

**MOTION:** To finalize the draft of the regulation changes for publication in the State Register.  
Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

**10. New Business**

**a. Reciprocity Applications**

**MOTION:** To approve William James Wylie III for licensure by reciprocity with North Carolina.  
Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

**b. Endorsement Applications**

**MOTION:** To approve Jay T. Snyder for licensure by endorsement with Arkansas.  
Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

**11. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** To adjourn.  
Ichimura/Marshtein/approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.