South Carolina Board of Registration for Geologists Board Meeting Minutes December 12, 2023 at 10 a.m. by Virtual Video/Teleconference

Meeting Called to Order

Chair Nina Marshtein, PG; called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Other Board members present included Dr. Vernon Ichimura, PG. A quorum was present.

Staff members present included Mary League, Esq., Advice Counsel; Johnnie Rose, Board Administrator; and Cleve Langdale, Program Coordinator.

Others present included Katherine Boone (Creel Court Reporting).

Statement of Public Notice

Ms. Marshtein stated 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. The meeting is being held virtually. Members of the public who wish to attend may do so at the website provided.

Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: To adopt the December 12, 2023, agenda.

Ichimura/Marshtein/Approved.

Introduction of Board Members and Others

Board members, staff, and others participating in the meeting introduced themselves.

Excused Absences

MOTION: To excuse Susan Fulmer's absence.

Ichimura/Marstein/Appproved

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the July 25, 2023, meeting.

Ichimura/Marstein/Appproved

Board Chair Remarks

Ms. Marshtein asked how filling empty seats on the board is progressing. Mr. Rose said he would reach to the government liaison again.

Staff Reports - Johnnie Rose

A. Administrator's Report

- The Board has 51 Geologists-in-Training and 564 Geologists actively licensed.
- Continuing education audits for 2021-2023 will be held in early 2024, after late renewals have closed.
- There are two vacancies on the Board: one public member, and one academic member.

B. Finance Report

The Board had a cash balance of \$355,566,02 as of October 31, 2023.

C. Advisory Opinions

Ms. League did not have any advisory opinions.

D. Office of Investigations and Enforcement Report

Mr. Rose said there was no report for the OIE.

E. Investigative Review Committee Report

Mr. Rose said there was no report for the IRC.

F. Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report

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

Board Member Reports

There were no Board member reports.

New Business

A. Reciprocity Applications

Miller, Christopher

Dr. Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application via reciprocity. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

2. Singleton, Christopher

Dr. Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application via reciprocity. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

3. <u>Hastings Jr., Patrick</u>

Dr. Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application via reciprocity. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

D. Endorsement Applications

1. Phillippie, Ryan

Dr. Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application via endorsement. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

2. Cressman, Amy

Dr. Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application via endorsement. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

3. Closson, Bradley

Dr. Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application via endorsement. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

4. Richardson, Ryan

Dr. Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application via endorsement. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which passed unanimously

Executive Session

MOTION: To waive the executive session.

Ichimura/Marshtein/Appproved

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

There being no further business,

MOTION: To adjourn.

Marshtein/Ichimura/Approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.