

MINUTES

SC Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulation
Board of Registration for Geologists

Board Meeting

Thursday, July 13, 2017, 10:00 a.m.
SYNERGY OFFICE PARK
KINGSTREE BUILDING, ROOM 105
110 CENTERVIEW DRIVE
COLUMBIA, S.C. 29210

NOTE: These minutes are a record of the motions and official actions taken by the Board and a brief summary of the meeting.

1. Call to Order

Chuck Gorman, Chair, was present and called the meeting of the South Carolina Board of Registration for Geologists to order on July 13, 2017, at 10:15 am, with a quorum present. Other Board members present were: Vernon Ichimura joining by conference call, Duke Brantley, Kevin Ryan, and Nina Marshtein. LLR staff members participating in the meeting included: Doris Cubitt, Administrator, Chelsea Buchanan, Program Coordinator, Courtney Wise, Administrative Assistant and Hardwick Stuart, Advice Counsel.

2. Consideration of Excuses for Absences of Board Members

No Board members were absent.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

Nina Marshtein made a motion to adopt the agenda. Kevin Ryan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion

Kevin Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2017 meeting. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. Office of Investigation Report

Sharon Wolfe stated that there have been two incoming complaints this year, one active and one pending Board action. Also, we have closed none since the beginning of this year. Sharon Wolfe gave a summary of the Investigative Review Committee's primary function.

Motion

Kevin Ryan made a motion to accept the IRC's Report. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report

Doris Cubitt presented this report, which stated that there are no pending cases at this time.

7. Chairman's Remarks-Chuck Gorman

Chuck Gorman welcomed everyone to the Board meeting and also opened up wanting to discuss possible ways to make becoming a Geologist in South Carolina more reasonable. He also wants to take a look at how SC compares Continuing Education with other states to make sure everyone is properly trained and is considering possible changes within the continuing education process. There is also a Regulatory review on the agenda for the September meeting that may mean changes to Regulations.

8. Administrator's Report-Doris Cubitt

Doris Cubitt, Administrator for the Board, presented the financial report for the Board, which showed through the end of May. It does take longer to close out June because that is the end of the fiscal year, so there are no numbers from June as of yet. The April and May reports were compared for the revenue. The revenue for the end of April was roughly \$6000.00 to \$7000.00, but the revenue for the end of May is \$76,810.00. The Board took in approximately \$70,000 in renewal fees in May, and now have 566 'Active' licensees and 61 'Active In Renewal.'

9. New Business

A. GEO Applications

Sarah Doliber

Motion

Vernon Ichimura made a motion to accept the application to take the PG exam. Kevin Ryan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

B. GIT Applications

Robert Gardner

Motion

Kevin Ryan made a motion to approve the application to take the FG exam in order to be registered as a GIT. Duke Brantley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

C. Reciprocity Applications

1. Michael Pardue

Motion

Kevin Ryan made a motion to approve the application for reciprocity contingent upon updated transcripts. Duke Brantley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Thomas Kessler

Motion

Duke Brantley made a motion to approve the application for reciprocity. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. Mark Zdunczyk

Motion

Duke Brantley made a motion to approve the application for reciprocity. Kevin Ryan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

D. Endorsement Applications

Marilyn Hadidian

Motion

Vernon Ichimura made a motion to approve the application for endorsement. Duke Brantley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

E. Election of Officers

Motion

Duke Brantley made a motion for Kevin Ryan to become Board Chair. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion. Kevin Ryan made a motion for Duke Brantley to serve as Vice Chair, Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

10. Adjournment

With no further business to be discussed at this time, Chuck Gorman adjourned the July 13, 2017, meeting of the SC Board of Registration for Geologists at 11:27 am.