

MINUTES

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

Board Meeting

Monday, July 2, 2018
SYNERGY OFFICE PARK
KINGSTREE BUILDING, ROOM 204
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

Kevin Ryan, Chair, was present and called the meeting of the South Carolina Board of Registration for Geologists to order on July 2, 2018, at 10:08am, with a quorum present. Other Board members present were: Vernon Ichimura and Nina Marshtein joining by conference call. LLR staff members participating in the meeting included: Doris Cubitt, Administrator, Susanna Sharpe, Assistant Administrator, Chelsea Buchanan, Program Coordinator, Courtney Wise, Administrative Assistant, Hardwick Stuart, Advice Counsel, Sharon Wolfe, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, and Erin Baldwin, Defense Counsel.

2. Consideration of Excuses for Absences of Board Members

Nina Marshtein made a motion to excuse Duke Brantley, Vice Chair, and Chuck Gorman. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion

Nina Marshtein made a motion to adopt the agenda, striking items 4 and 9.B3, which will be voted on at the following meeting. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

4. Office of Investigation Report

Sharon Wolfe presented the report, which stated that two cases have been received and none closed as of June 26th. She also presented the IRC report, which contained two cases recommended for Cease and Desist orders for unlicensed practice and one recommendation for a formal complaint to be submitted to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel.

Motion

Vernon Ichimura made a motion to approve the IRC report. Kevin Ryan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report

Erin Baldwin stated that there are no open cases at this time although the case approved from the IRC report today will make one active case.

6. Chairman's Remarks-Kevin Ryan

Kevin Ryan thanked the other Board members for being present during a holiday week.

7. Administrator's Report-Doris Cubitt

Susanna Sharpe presented the financial report and licensee updates for information. There were no questions or concerns.

8. New Business

A. GEO Applications

1. Shaun Becker

Motion

Vernon Ichimura made a motion to approve the application to take the PG exam. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Brian Spillane

Motion

Nina Marshtein made a motion to approve the application to sit for the PG exam. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

B. GIT Applications

1. Richard Demille

Motion

Nina Marshtein made a motion to approve the application to take the FG exam in order to be registered as a GIT. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Kaylin Riney

Motion

Nina Marshtein made a motion to approve the application to take the FG exam in order to be registered as a GIT. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. Austin Syms

Motion

Vernon Ichimura made a motion to approve the application to take the FG exam in order to be registered as a GIT. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

C. Reciprocity Applications

1. Stephen Barnhardt

Motion

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

2. David M. Davis

Motion

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

3. Brett C. Smith

Motion

Nina Marshtein made a motion to approve the application for reciprocity pending receipt of an acceptable third professional reference. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

4. Tracey Tapley

Motion

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

5. Christopher Tisdale

Motion

Nina Marshtein made a motion to approve the application for reciprocity pending receipt of an acceptable license verification from Georgia. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

D. Endorsement Applications

1. Brett Orton Watkins

Motion

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

E. Proposed Travel Budget

Susanna Sharpe presented the proposed travel budget that has been submitted to LLR administration for approval.

9. Adjournment

Motion

With no further business to be discussed at this time, Kevin Ryan adjourned the July 2, 2018 meeting of the SC Board of Registration for Geologists at 10:40am.