

MINUTES

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

Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 26, 2017
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 September 26, 2017, at 10:15 am, with a quorum present. Other Board members present were: Vernon Ichimura joining by conference call, Duke Brantley, Chuck Gorman, and Nina Marshtein. LLR staff members participating in the meeting included: Doris Cubitt, Administrator, Susanna Sharpe, Assistant Administrator, Chelsea Buchanan, Program Coordinator, Johnnie Rose, Program 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

Chuck Gorman made a motion to adopt the agenda. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion

Chuck Gorman made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2017 meeting, with the correction of inquiring how South Carolina continuing education credits compares with other states. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. Office of Investigation Report

A. Doris Cubitt presented the report, which stated that there is one case active in investigation and one case pending Board action.

B. Board Members gave names of potential expert witnesses for an open case: Andy Wilson from ARM Environmental Services, Van Keisler, Mark Taylor, a previous board member, Walter Gerald, and Raymond Knox.

Doris Cubitt, Administrator informed the Board that we at staff level would reach out to them in regards to this matter.

6. Office of Disciplinary Counsel Report

Doris Cubitt presented the report, which stated that there are no pending cases.

7. Chairman's Remarks-Chuck Gorman

Kevin Ryan thanked everyone for allowing him to serve in the capacity as Chairman and looks forward to working with everyone.

8. Administrator's Report-Doris Cubitt

A. The Board has been in renewal so the balance has grown because of the amount of renewals taken in.

B. Currently we have 571 'Active' Geologist that renewed and 59 'Active in Renewal' 22 Geo in training. 'Active In Renewal' will be left open until the end of December to give those an opportunity to renew.

C. Deferred to the December 12, 2017 meeting to discuss further action if necessary about the upcoming ASBOG Meeting.

9. New Business

A. GEO Applications

1. Evan Koelker

Motion

Chuck Gorman made a motion to approve the application to take the PG/FG exam. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

B. GIT Applications

1. Jeremy Eddy

Motion

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

C. Reciprocity Applications

1. Daniel Rhodes

Motion

Chuck Gorman made a motion to approve the Application for Reciprocity. Duke Brantley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. David Miller

Motion

Duke Brantley made a motion to approve the Application for Reciprocity. Chuck Gorman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

D. Endorsement Applications

1. Jacob Hundl

Motion

Chuck Gorman made a motion to approve the Application for Endorsement. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Jeremy Bailey

Motion

Vernon Ichimura made a motion to approve the Application for Endorsement. Chuck Gorman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

E. Request from Dana Holsclaw

Chuck Gorman made a motion to go into Executive Session for legal advice. Vernon Ichimura seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Duke Brantley made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Chuck Gorman seconded the motion, which carried unaminously.

Hardwick Stewart, Advice Counsel informed the Board they don't have legal authority to approve the request due to the Statue 40-77-230(A)(1) and Regulation 131-05C, therefore, her request is denied.

F. Clarification of Application Fee Prorating

Chuck Gorman made a motion request staff to review the policy and strongly consider keeping the application fees at \$200.00 and prorating the renewal fee. Nina Marshtein seconded the motion.

10. Regulatory Review of Regulations Pursuant to Executive Order

Pursuant to the Executive Order, the Board reviewed each current regulation and identified regulations that the Board felt needed to be amended.

11. Adjournment

Motion

With no further business to be discussed at this time, Kevin Ryan adjourned the September 26, 2017 meeting of the SC Board of Registration for Geologists at 12:38pm.