Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists



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MINUTES Board Meeting Thursday, July 16, 2009

A meeting of the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists was called to order at 10:03 a.m. on Thursday, July 16, 2009, at the Board office in Montgomery, Alabama. A quorum was present. Board members in attendance were Ms. Dorothy Malaier, (Chair), Ms. Marsha Andrews, (Vice-Chair), Dr. David T. King, Jr., (Secretary/Treasurer), Dr. Bashir Memon, Member, Mr. Richard Esposito, Member and Mr. Abner Patton, Member. Dr. Berry (Nick) Hearn Tew, Jr., Member was not present. Also in attendance were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Secretary), Mr. Bill Garrett (Board Counsel) and Ms. Hope Paulene (Executive Assistant).

The meeting was advertised to the public on the Board's website (www.algeobd.alabama.gov) as well as the Secretary of State's website (www.sos.state.al.us) as required by the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the April 23, 2009 meeting. Ms. Andrews made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Esposito and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Secretary's report, which included the following statistical information:

- A) Number of Licensees (As of July 10, 2009)
 - 1. Professional Geologists (PGs): 478
 - a. Alabama (189)
 - b. Out of State (289)
 - 2. Geologist-In-Training (GITs): 6
 - Temporary Licensees: 0
 (Current)
- B) FY 2008-2009 Budget Info
 - 1. Budget Authorized

\$60,000.00

- 2. Expenditure Vouchers (10/8/08—06/15/09): \$35,321.73
- 3. Deposits (10/2/08—07/09/09): \$51,650.00
- 4. Current Cash Balance (As of 06/30/2009): \$65,204.31 (These reports are available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes.)

Ms. Andrews asked that Mr. Warren look into the possibly of emailing reminder expiration notices to licensees in order to decrease printing and postage expenses. In addition, she would like to see the Board implement a policy of emailing continuing education opportunities to licensees, as well continue to place those notices on the Board's website.

Ms. Andrews made a motion to note the Finance Committee's review of the Board's financial report, and accept the report as amended. The motion was seconded by Dr. Memon, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren updated the Board on the upcoming ASBOG Conference and Annual ASBOG Field Trip. The conference will be held in Birmingham November 2-7, 2009. Jack Pashin will be the contact for the Field Trip. Registration will be handled through the Alabama Geological Society. The Field Trip is scheduled for November 8, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.

Ms. Malaier apprised the Board of proposed articles for the next newsletter. The following articles are tentatively scheduled for publishing in the newsletter:

- a) ASBOG Conference in Alabama
- b) Article on New Board Members
- c) Thank you article to Mr. Bob Carr,Mr. Mark Tanner and Ms. Mary Windom
- d) Redesigning Website and Online Renewals
- e) CE Opportunities
- f) PDH Approval Article
- g) New Licensees

The deadline for submission of articles is August 1, 2009.

The Board reviewed sixteen (16) applications for licensure. Ms. Andrews made a motion to approve applications for licensure as submitted, with the exception of Mr. William Noland's application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Esposito, and unanimously approved by the Board. (A list of the approved application(s) is attached to the Minutes.)

The Board reviewed ten (10) renewal applications and reported Professional Development Hours (PDH), along with supporting documentation provided by the licensees. The Board requested Ms. Paulene to draft a letter to be mailed to

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each licensee, who, based on the Board's review of supporting documentation, were determined by the Board to have unacceptable and/or insufficient PDHs.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is October 15, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

The time being 12:35 p.m., and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. David T. King, Jr. Secretary/Treasurer