

MINUTES
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIOR DESIGN

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
January 20, 2004
10:00 A.M.

(850) 410-0960 or Suncom 210-0960

Call to Order

Ms. Del Bianco called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Ellis Bullock
Rick Gonzalez
Neil Hall
Stephen Schreiber
Mary Jane Grigsby
Sharon Del Bianco
Joyce Shore
Kenneth Horstmyer
Garrick Gustafson
Roymi Membiela

Board Member Absent:

Miguel Rodriguez

Others Present:

Mary Ellen Clark, Board Counsel
G. W. Harrell
Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Heather Tozzi, AIA Florida
Terri Estes, Board staff
Jerry Hicks, Board Consultant
Antonio Amadeo
Michael Donaldson
Andrew Shepard
Les Smith, Investigator
George Ayrish, Bureau of Education and Testing

Mr. Bullock proposed a motion to read as follows:

Ms. Sharon Del Bianco, as Chairperson for the Board of Architecture and Interior Design in 2003, has provided leadership, direction, and untiring commitment to it's members, staff, and employees

with a precise understanding of the laws and rules governing this board in a period of transition of its structure. Her leadership is most appreciated by those who serve with her. The public, the professionals of architecture and interior design have greatly benefited from her leadership. He commented that this statement was signed January 20, 2004.

MOTION: Mr. Bullock moved that statement would appear in the permanent record of the board.

SECOND: Ms. Schreiber seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Discussion Privatization

Ms. Tozzi from AIA Florida was available. Mr. Harrell commented that he had not heard from Mr. Huey. Mr. Bullock commented that AIA was in the process of interviewing for Mr. Shalley's replacement.

Application Review

Architecture Endorsement Andrew Shepard

Mr. Shepard was present. Mr. Hick presented the file and commented that Mr. Shepard did not have the required NAAB accredited degree. Mr. Shepard asked the board what he could do to receive licensure in Florida. Mr. Bullock commented that the statute does not allow them to approve him for licensure.

Mr. Shepard commented that he graduated 27 years ago and his degree allows direct entry into the Master's program at North Carolina State. He commented that he was 51 years of age and he did not feel he would return back to school. The board reviewed the avenues for licensure via the certificate of authorization and the Florida licensed qualifier method.

The board advised Mr. Shepard of the licensure requirement and education requirements prior to 1984.

Mr. Shepard requested to withdraw his application to avoid a denial on his record.

Discussion Privatization

Ms. Tozzi commented that she was able to contact Mr. Huey for an update and he relayed that they feel the department has not gone far enough in the privatization effort in giving direct responsibility to the board for the administrative functions. She commented that the draft bill language allowed for the funding and the financial control would be left with the department and that was where the disagreement lies.

Mr. Bullock asked Ms. Tozzi if the board would be receiving a written report or revised draft of the legislative language. Ms. Tozzi replied that she would relay that request to Mr. Huey. Ms. Tozzi

commented that she was not sure if the new Director would be on board by the February board meeting but if not she would attend in the interim.

Continuing Education Non-Core takers draft letter

Ms. Del Bianco commented that the draft letter was clear and informative. She commented that there was a concern about the validity of the list. Ms. Chastain commented that she forwarded the list to Mr. Shalley and Mr. Rodriguez for review.

Ms. Grigsby asked about a completion date. Mr. Harrell commented that crosses over the threshold of a notice of non-compliance and the department does not have the statutory authority to issue that for the board. He commented that if they imposed a timeframe for compliance or penalties then they are stepping over that threshold.

The board decided to strike the last paragraph of the letter. Mr. Ayrish commented that they would be tracking compliance of the course manually and individuals would not be able to determine if the department was in receipt of their response via the web page. Mr. Ayrish asked if individuals that take the course now, would they receive credit for the course. Mr. Harrell replied and suggested that they advise individuals that they would receive credit for the core course, however, whether disciplinary action would be taken against the individual has not been determined. He continued by stating that if the individual does not take the course they might be subject to discipline or non-renewal.

Ms. Del Bianco commented that the board did not want to penalize individuals at this time. She commented that she wanted to make sure the individuals were in compliance.

Mr. Ayrish commented that they were projecting the letter to be sent out in 30 days. The board agreed to the timeframe.

Privatization

Mr. Hall asked if they were in a holding pattern until they receive an update on the legislative session. Ms. Tozzi commented that her last conversation with the legislative team was that they were holding bill slots for this issue. Ms. Del Bianco asked that a written draft be prepared for the February meeting.

Architecture Certificate of Authorization

LDC International, Inc. / LDC International, Inc. (dual)

Antonio Amadeo

Mr. Amadeo was present. Mr. Hicks presented the file based on a letter regarding possible previous practice prior to licensure. He commented that it reflects that the activities under LDC International request include consulting on strategic planning and research. Mr. Amadeo commented that he was a long time employee of Tampa General Hospital and he made a transition into his own practice. He commented that he was a consultant to finish projects that he started under their employment. He commented that he finished them under his personal name.

MOTION: Mr. Bullock moved to approve the certificate of authorization.

SECOND: Mr. Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

WDA Design Group, Inc.

Mr. Amadeo was present. Mr. Hicks commented that he did not have an issue with this application. This application was before the board for a name change from the initial application of Wilkeson Design Association to WDA Design Group, Inc. Mr. Amadeo would be qualifying this firm and LDC International. He commented that they were located at the same physical address. He commented that he would be the qualifier and responsible supervisor in control for both. He commented that he wanted to have a separate interior design presence from his architecture business. The board advised Mr. Amadeo the responsibilities of being the qualifier and responsible supervisory control for more than one firm. They advised him to advise the board if there were any changes.

MOTION: Mr. Gustafson moved to approve the certificate of authorization.

SECOND: Mr. Hall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Interior Design Certificate of Authorization

Sugar Beach Interiors, Inc.

Ms. Karen Waterfield was present. Ms. Grigsby presented the file and commented that the firm offered services on a null and void license. Ms. Waterfield commented that she had several address changes. She commented that she did not receive renewal notices, therefore, the license lapsed into a null and void status. She commented that she renewed her personal license but not the business license.

MOTION: Mr. Bullock moved to approve the certificate of authorization with a \$2,000 fine.

SECOND: Mr. Gustafson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ratification List –

Individuals and Corporations (e-mailed/faxed)

Interior Design by endorsement, examination and business

Items 1-10.

MOTION: Ms. Grigsby moved to approve items 1-10.

SECOND: Mr. Bullock seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Architecture by examination, endorsement, and business.

Items 11-58.

MOTION: Mr. Gustafson moved to approve item 11-58

SECOND: Ms. Shore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Architecture and Interior Design Provider and Course ratification

MOTION: Mr. Gustafson moved to approve the entire list as presented.

SECOND: Ms. Shore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

For the Board's Information

Letter from Steve Ellinger

E-mail and letter from Gordon Landreth

Ms. Del Bianco commented that Mr. Ellinger would be running for Regional Director and Mr. Landreth for Treasurer for NCARB. The board will discuss at the February meeting.

New Business

No new business.

Old Business

No old business.

Adjourn

MOTION: Mr. Hall moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Mr. Gustafson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.