

MINUTES
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIOR DESIGN

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

June 16, 2008
2:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Toll Free 888.808.6959 conference code 9218690

Call to Order

Mr. Kuritzky, Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Board Members present:

Eric Kuritzky
Joyce Shore
John Ehrig
Rossana Dolan
Lourdes Solera
Mary Jane Grigsby
Garrick Gustafson
Wanda Gozdz

Board Members absent:

Wendell Hall, excused
Roymi Membiela, excused

Others present:

Mary Ellen Clark, Board Counsel
David Minacci, Prosecuting Attorney
Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Miguel Rodriguez
Paul Carson
Josue Cruz
Stephen Berry
Emory Johnson
Linda Blair

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

January 29-30, 2008 Fernandina Beach
March 12, 2008 Telephone Conference Call

Motion: Mr. Gustafson moved that the board accept the minutes as presented.
Second: Ms. Shore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Application Review

Paul Carson – architect examination

Mr. Carson was present. Ms. Chastain commented that Mr. Carson answered affirmative to a background question and the application was before the board for review. Mr. Carson commented that he made poor decisions in the past, they were resolved and he would like to move forward with the profession.

Motion: Mr. Gustafson moved to approve the application as presented.

Second: Ms. Dolan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Josue Cruz – architect examination

Mr. Cruz was present. Ms. Chastain commented that Mr. Cruz answered affirmative to a background question and the application was before the board for review. Mr. Cruz commented that he made poor decisions, rehabilitated himself, and complied with the penalties imposed. The board discussed their concerns about the number of violations and how recently they occurred.

Motion: Ms. Gozdz moved that the board approve the application as presented.

Second: Ms. Dolan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Stephen Berry – architect endorsement

Mr. Berry was present. Ms. Chastain commented that Mr. Berry was licensed in Ohio, met Florida's licensure requirements; however, he did not disclose on his application a settlement agreement regarding his Ohio license.

Mr. Berry commented that he thought he answered the application correctly and settlement agreement was based on an isolated incident in 2002. He explained the incident which involved another architect's plans and revisions. The board discussed the question and whether he answered the application correctly. The board determined that he had and the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board approve the application as presented.

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

Gilbert Mobley – architect endorsement

Mr. Mobley was present. Mr. Mobley answered affirmative to a background question. He explained that the office manager handled licensure renewals and in 2002 his was not renewed. He explained that he submitted drawings and a complaint was lodged that he practiced on an invalid license. He settled with the board and in August 2002 his license was reinstated. The board discussed the fact that he was licensed in Florida previously.

Motion: Mr. Gustafson moved that the board approve the application as presented.

Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Salvatore Prainito – architect endorsement

Mr. Prainito was not present. The board decided to hold the application until later in the meeting.

Linda Blair – interior design endorsement

Ms. Blair was present and provided her interior design background however understood there were licensure requirements that she could not substantiate her education. Ms. Grigsby explained that the board could not waive the statutory requirements. The board discussed the minimum statutory requirements. The board discussed the difference between commercial and residential work.

Ms. Blair requested to withdraw her application.

Salvatore Prainito – architect endorsement

Mr. Prainito was not present. Ms. Chastain explained that Mr. Prainito did not meet the educational requirements.

Motion: Mr. Gustafson moved that the board deny the application based on the fact that Title 8, Architect 147, Section 7304 of New York's education law and Part 69 of the Commissioner's Regulation of New York were not substantially equivalent to Chapter 481.213 and 481.209, Florida Statutes at the time of licensure.

Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion, Ms. Dolan opposed and it passed.

Continuing Education Application Review

Robbie Price – Self Study submittal based on audit

Ms. Chastain commented that Ms. Price applied for 4 hours of continuing education credit and the reviewers recommended denial because it did not meet the guidelines for self directed study.

Motion: Ms. Grigsby moved that the board deny the application based on Chapter 481.215(4), Florida Statute and Rule 61G1-21.004, Florida Administrative Code for not complying with the log of learning requirement for a self study course.

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

Boss Construction – Creating a Healthy & Safe Environment

Bernardo Coiffman was present. The application was before the board based on the reviewer's recommending denial. Mr. Coiffman commented that the course was designed more for architects to introduce new system and designs that are environmentally friendly or green. The course includes building codes and disability act information that the board previously approved for four hours as well as the Department of Community Affairs.

The board discussed the course content and presentation method. The board requested additional information regarding the power point presentation and/or submit the text of the power point slides.

Mr. Coiffman waived the application processing rights in order to provide additional information.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board postpone application until the July board meeting to allow the applicant to provide additional information.
Second: Ms. Shore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business

Mr. Rodriguez addressed an NCARB Resolution proposed for the upcoming meeting. He expressed his and AIA Florida's concern regarding the six month IDP reporting rule. He commented that their concern was interns would lose credit for time earned that was not reported in the six month window. He commented that the electronic reporting system had problems that needed to be resolved before penalizing the interns.

Mr. Rodriguez commented that they support the electronic reporting and the six month requirement but did not want interns penalized when the system still had technical and operating problems. The board discussed and supported the need for the electronic reporting but did not think NCARB should penalize interns because the system was not up and running properly.

Discussion/For information/Budget Discussion

Letter from board regarding the Smith, Thompson, Shaw & Manausa contract and budget funds

Letter from Interim-Secretary Drago

Ms. Chastain explained that the letter from Interim-Secretary Drago requested input from the board for next years' budget as well as other department information. She requested that board update Mr. Kuritzky's letter as a response to Interim-Secretary Drago's letter.

Ms. Chastain commented that based on Interim-Secretary Drago's letter there was a sweep of the trust fund in the amount of \$5.5 million dollars. She commented that at the end of the fiscal year the professions with excess cash would potentially be swept. She commented that she would update them as soon as she knew more and explained the budget process.

The board discussed the travel spending plan in relation to the travel budget. The board requested that additional members be approved to attend national meetings based on the importance of their presence at the meetings. Mr. Kuritzky commented that he would update the letter and have it available at the July meeting for board review.

Structural Engineering Rules Rewrite Invitation (61G15, FAC)
NCARB Southern Conference Board of Directors Minutes/March 27, 2008
For information only there was no discussion.

Ratification Lists

Continuing Education list

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board ratify the list as presented.
Second: Ms. Solera seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Applicant list

Architecture Exam

Items 1-13

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board ratify items 1-13 as presented.

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

Architecture Endorsement

Items 1-38

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board ratify items 1-38 as presented.

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

Architecture Businesses

Items 1-25

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board ratify items 1-25 as presented.

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

Architecture Business Name Change

Items 1-4

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board ratify item 1 as presented.

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

Interior Design Exam

Item 1

Motion: Ms. Grigsby moved that the board ratify items 1 as presented.

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

Interior Design Endorsement

Items 1-21

Motion: Ms. Grigsby moved that the board ratify items 1-21 as presented.

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

Interior Design Businesses

Items 1-5

Motion: Ms. Grigsby moved that the board ratify items 1-5 as presented.

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

Budget Discussion

Amended Smith, Thompson, Shaw and Manuasa contract

Ms. Chastain advised that the amended contract would be delivered to Mr. Minacci tomorrow and she would have Mr. Kuritzky sign at the upcoming NCARB meeting.

New Business

The board reviewed the Sunshine Law as applicable to NCARB meetings.

Adjourn

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the meeting adjourn.

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