

MINUTES

**Board of Architecture and Interior Design
Hilton Garden Inn Sarasota-Bradenton Airport
8270 N Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, Florida 34243
(941) 552-1100**

**April 13, 2018
General Business
9:00 a.m.**

Call to Order

Mr. Toppe, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Board Members Present:

John P. Ehrig
Miguel Rodriguez
Francisco Costoya
Jonathan Toppe, Chair
G. Steven Jernigan
Aida Bao-Garciga, Vice-Chair
Holly Dennis
Dylan Rivers
Timothy Nolen

Board Member Absent:

Ivetter O'Doski, excused

Others Present:

Mary Ellen Clark, Board Counsel
David Minacci, Prosecuting Attorney
Krista B. Woodard, Executive Director
Terri McEwen, Government Analyst II
Trent Manausa
Michael Wirtz
Vicki Long, AIA Florida
David Roberts, Nortelus Roberts Group LLC
Ricardo Ramos
Layla K. McDonald
Paul Drake
George Raymond Berry
Ronald Treharne
Larry Maxwell

Court Reporter: Integra Reporting Group, LLC, Melinda McKenna, The Sterling Suites, 114 S. Oregon Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33606. Telephone (813) 868-5130

Disciplinary Cases

DBPR vs. Faulkner Eyo

Case Number 2015-036121

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Fernandez

PCP Recommendation: \$5,000.00 fine plus \$1,200.00 costs, one year suspension, and two years' probation

Settlement Stipulation: \$1,200.00 costs and three years' probation

Mr. Eyo was not present but was represented by Ms. McDonald. The case was before the board based on a four count administrative complaint for plans not sufficiently detailed. The first year of probation the respondent will not sign and seal any drawings but will work with another licensed design professional to develop skills to prepare sufficiently detailed drawings. The next two years of probation his work will be monitored by the Probable Cause Panel.

After discussion the following motion was made.

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

Second: Ms. Bao-Garciga seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. Majid M. Hawari and All Architecture, Inc.

Case Numbers 2016-049963, 2016-049965, and 2016-030285

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez

PCP Recommendation: \$10,000 fine plus \$1,087.50 costs

Settlement Stipulation: \$1,072.66 fine plus \$1,087.50 costs and payment of \$7,839.84 for the Final Judgment in Case Number 2016-CA-000447

Mr. Rodriguez was recused from review of the case based on his participation with the Probable Cause Panel.

Mr. Hawari was not present but was represented by Paul Drake. The cases were before the board for review of a settlement stipulation to resolve a final judgment that was entered in 2016 imposing a \$7,839.84 fines and costs and a final order that was entered in February 2018 imposing a \$10,000 fines and costs. There was unlicensed activity in the cases with no response from the respondent. Mr. Hawari hired an attorney to determine the best resolution to come into compliance. The respondent has agreed to pay \$10,000 to resolve the cases. Mr. Minacci explained that \$7,839.84 would be used to resolve the final judgment and then the remaining balance would be used for the February 2018 final order.

After discussion the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board vacate the final order that was entered February 2018.
Second: Mr. Costoya seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Drake advised and assured the board that Mr. Hawari understands that the web site and company name must be corrected to be in compliance with the laws and rules.

After discussion the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Costoya moved that the board approve the settlement stipulation as presented.
Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Reconsideration of Final Order

Ricardo E. Ramos

Case Number 2013-017833

PCP: Hall, Shore, and Costoya

Mr. Ramos was present and sworn in by the court reporter. Mr. Costoya was recused from the review of the case based on his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. Mr. Ramos entered into a settlement stipulation that became a final order May 6, 2014, imposing two years' probation which was tolled if he was not practicing in the state of Florida. Mr. Ramos has not had projects in Florida and he is seeking licensure in another state but they will not license him until the probation is resolved.

The board discussed reviewing Mr. Ramos' work from another state since he has not practiced in Florida. Mr. Ramos reported that he had not practiced architecture in any state and he was employed as a facility specialist.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez moved that the board discontinue the probation.
Second: Mr. Rivers seconded the motion.

The board reviewed the Mississippi disciplinary case in the agenda. Mr. Ramos reported that Mississippi requested that he paid the full amount of the fine at one time, which he has been unable to pay.

After discussion, Mr. Rodriguez withdrew his motion and Mr. Rivers withdrew his second.

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez moved that the board table the issue until a future meeting and allow Mr. Ramos time to document resolution of the Mississippi case.
Second: Mr. Rivers seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. George Raymond Berry

Case Number 2015-031003

PCP: Hall, Smith, Rodriguez, and Rivers

PCP Recommendation: Reprimand, \$2,000.00 fine plus \$2,880.28 costs

Mr. Berry was present and sworn in by the court reporter. Mr. Rodriguez and Mr. Rivers were recused from the review of the case due to their participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The case was before the board based on a one count administrative complaint for failing to exercise proper supervisory control.

The settlement stipulation reflects the Probable Cause Panel's recommendation. Mr. Berry provided an explanation of the events surrounding the case and advised that he was unable to pay the fines and costs. Mr. Berry requested to withdraw the settlement stipulation and requested to go the Division of Administrative Hearings. After discussion the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board reject the settlement stipulation, impose no discipline and close the case.

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

Engineers practicing Architecture

Mr. Treharne and Mr. Maxwell were present to discuss issues of engineers practicing architecture without a license. Mr. Treharne would like Mr. Minacci, Prosecuting Attorney, to send a letter to building officials regarding the issue. Mr. Minacci would prefer to have the board's direction before sending the letter. Mr. Maxwell suggested that the building officials should verify that the design professional of record is properly licensed. The board discussed that the building departments interpret the codes and accepts engineer's plans over architects.

The board discussed that a continuing education course would be helpful to educate the building officials. The board reviewed and discussed that the professional boards and associations collaborated in 2011 to produce "A Building Official's Guide to the Professional Practice of Architects & Engineers in Florida. The board discussed that unlicensed activity is an issue with engineers signing and sealing architecture plans and it should be addressed throughout the state.

The board discussed the need to educate the building officials and continuing education as a solution. The building official makes the final call on plans that are permitted and the core of that is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public. The board discussed the need to include and collaborate with the other design professionals to avoid overstepping professional boundaries.

The board discussed utilizing the Professional Associations, Board Chair, and Board's Executive Director to begin the dialogue instead of the Board's Prosecuting Attorney.

The board discussed an article Mr. Minacci published in the Building Officials of Florida Newsletter to bring awareness to the building officials about unlicensed individuals using deceased Architects' seals.

Ms. Long with AIA Florida offered to work with the other Professional Associations to update the guide.

The board discussed including the Interior Design Associations in future discussions.

Motion: Mr. Rivers moved that the board direct Mr. Toppe to contact the Chair of the Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board that this issue has been brought forward and the board would like to open a dialogue and possibly issue a collaborative pamphlet.

Second: Ms. Bao-Garciga seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. Leonard Jansen LaForest

Case Number 2016-055678

PCP: Fernandez, Rodriguez, and Rivers

PCP Recommendation: Reprimand, \$1,000.00 fine plus \$2,127.50 costs, and two years' probation

Mr. Rodriguez and Mr. Rivers were recused from the review of the case based on their participation on the Probable Cause Panel. Probable cause was found to issue a two count administrative complaint for negligence in the practice of architecture and practice beyond the scope of the license. The respondent responded with an election of rights and did not dispute the facts.

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Ms. Bao-Garciga moved that the board adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

Motion: Ms. Bao-Garciga moved that the board impose a reprimand, \$1,000.00 fine plus \$2,127.50 costs to be paid within 30 days of the final order and two years' reporting probation with plans to be reviewed every six months at the respondent's cost.

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

DBPR vs. Isaac Molina

Case Number 2017-040005

PCP: Hall, Smith, Rodriguez, and Rivers

PCP Recommendation: Suspension until compliance plus \$1,125.00 costs

Mr. Molina was not present but submitted a letter for the board to consider. Mr.

Rodriguez and Mr. Rivers were recused from the review of the case based on their

participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The case was before the board based on a one count administrative complaint for failing to comply with a lawful order of the board. The administrative complaint was served by certified mail and the respondent has failed to respond to the administrative complaint. Mr. Molina provided a letter that Mr. Minacci read into the record:

Miss McEwen:

I am unable to participate in the hearing/meeting scheduled for April 13, 2018, in Sarasota Florida regarding my case. I am a 66 year old Texas architect that lives and works part-time in Texas. I do not have means to make a trip to Florida for this matter.

In the past two plus years, I have submitted several responses (attached) to the firm of Smith Thompson Shaw (c/o David K. Minacci), but I did not ever receive any response to my communications to them, other than I have violated the statute and that I must pay a \$1500.00 penalty or fine.

For the record I registered with Florida as an Architect several years ago but my mitigating circumstances are as follows:

- I have never practiced architecture in the state of Florida in any capacity.*
- Early last year I placed my Florida registration in inactive status after I thought my case was closed. Please see the attached motion to dismiss formal hearing dated January 19, 2017. Later I discovered that there were two cases against me and that one was still ongoing.*
- I have been a registered architect in the State of Texas in good standing for 37 years and have consistently completed the required continuing education units.*
- The subject alleged violation occurred because I lost the file containing the required course for the subject audit year in a computer crash. The above referenced attorneys for the State of Florida stated that I could not complete the required two hour Advanced Florida course retroactively. And that I was liable for violation of the statute.*

Please call me on or before the hearing meeting so that I can answer any questions you and or the Board may have regarding this matter.

*Sincerely,
Isaac Molina AIA*

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board suspend the license until compliance.

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

DBPR vs. Josaphat Celestin

Case Number 2015-005092

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez

PCP Recommendation: \$1,000.00 fine plus \$790.00 costs

Mr. Rodriguez was recused from the review of the case due to his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The case was before the board based on a one count administrative complaint for using the title architect. The administrative complaint was hand served on December 12, 2017. The respondent failed to respond to the administrative complaint.

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Mr. Nolen moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

Motion: Mr. Nolen moved that the board impose a \$1,000.00 fine plus \$790.00 costs to be paid within 30 days of the final order.

Second: Ms. Bao-Garciga seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. Steve Tweed Delbrune and AMD G.R.O.U.P Design Build Inc.

Case Numbers 2016-044671, 2017-009374, 2016-044769, 2017-009381, 2016-023053, and 2016-023056

PCP: Rodriguez, Hall, and Rivers

PCP Recommendation: \$35,000.00 fine plus \$5,935.00 costs

Mr. Delbrune was not present or represented by the counsel. Mr. Rodriguez and Mr. Rivers were recused from review of the cases due to their participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The cases were before the board based on a seven count administrative complaint for using the license of another, filing a false report, providing false information for renewing a certificate of authorization, fraudulently representing to a company they had a licensed qualifier, and three counts of unlicensed practice of architecture. Hand service of the administrative complaint was unsuccessful. Service was achieved through a notice of publication in the South Florida Business Journal. The respondent failed to respond to the administrative complaint.

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Ms. Bao-Garciga moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

The board discussed the egregious nature of the cases and reviewed the mitigating and aggravating circumstances. The board reviewed Rule 61-5.007(8)(k), F.A.C., Disciplinary Guidelines for Unlicensed Activity, which reads, the unlicensed person's use of an altered license or impersonation of a licensee.

Motion: Ms. Bao-Garciga moved that the board impose a \$20,000.00 fine. The fine amount was increased to the statutory limits citing Rule 61-5.007(8) (k), F.A.C., for cases 2016-044671, 2017-009374, 2016-023405, and 2016 023056

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

Motion: Ms. Bao-Garciga moved that the board revoke license AA26002227 for cases 2016-044769 and 2017-009381.

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

DBPR vs. Epicouture and Sismai Roman

Case Number 2016-038613

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez

PCP Recommendation: \$3,000.00 fine plus \$2,197.50 costs

The respondent was not present or represented by counsel. Mr. Rodriguez was recused from the review of the case due to his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The case was before the board based on a two count administrative complaint for offering architecture without a license and practicing through a business without a certificate of authorization. The administrative complaint was hand served at the respondent's last known address on December 11, 2017. The respondent failed to respond to the administrative complaint.

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Mr. Rivers moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

Motion: Mr. Rivers moved that the board to impose a \$3,000.00 fine plus \$2,197.50 costs to be paid within 30 days of the final order.

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

DBPR vs. Joseph M. McHarris and McHarris Planning & Design

Case Numbers 2014-047223 and 2015-036441

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez

PCP Recommendation: \$3,000.00 fine plus \$3,855.00 costs

The respondent was not present or represented by counsel. Mr. Rodriguez was recused from the review of the cases based on his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. Probable cause was found to issue a one count administrative complaint for practicing without a license. The administrative complaint was served to the last known address on December 11, 2017. The respondent failed to respond to the administrative complaint.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Rivers moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

The board discussed that the respondent had three prior violations and reviewed the mitigating and aggravating circumstances. The board reviewed Rule 61-5.007(8)(d), F.A.C., Disciplinary Guidelines for Unlicensed Activity, which reads, the number of repetitions of offenses.

Motion: Mr. Rivers moved that the board impose an increased fine amount of \$5,000.00 fine plus \$3,855.00 costs to be paid within 30 days of the final order citing Rule 61-5.007(8)(d), F.A.C., the number of repetitions of offenses.

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

DBPR vs. Roland Patterson

Case Number 2015-022729

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez

PCP Recommendation: \$5,000.00 fine plus \$1,170.00 costs

Mr. Patterson was not present or represented by counsel. Mr. Rodriguez was recused from the review of the case due to his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The case was before the board based on a one count administrative complaint for practicing architecture without a license. Hand service of the administrative complaint was unsuccessful. Service was achieved through a notice of publication in the Jacksonville Business Journal. The respondent failed to respond to the administrative complaint.

The board discussed that the respondent had prior violations and reviewed the mitigating and aggravating circumstances. The board reviewed Rule 61-5.007(8)(d), F.A.C., Disciplinary Guidelines for Unlicensed Activity, which reads, the number of repetitions of offenses.

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Mr. Nolen moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

Motion: Mr. Nolen moved that the board impose a \$5,000.00 fine plus \$1,170.00 costs to be paid within 30 days of the final order citing Rule 61-5.007(8)(d), F.A.C. for prior offenses.

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

DBPR vs. Reuven Pitschadza and Miami Builders, LLC

Case Numbers 2016-008808 and 2016-008811

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez

PCP Recommendation: \$15,000.00 fine plus \$1,145.00 costs

The respondent was not present or represented by counsel. Mr. Rodriguez was recused from the review of the cases due to his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The cases were before the board based on a three count administrative complaint for practicing architecture without a license, using the title architect without a license, and practicing through a business without a certificate of authorization. The administrative complaint was hand served on December 4, 2017. The respondent failed to respond to the administrative complaint.

The board discussed that the cases involved consumer harm and reviewed the mitigating and aggravating circumstances. The board reviewed Rule 61-5.007(8)(g), F.A.C., Disciplinary Guidelines for Unlicensed Activity, which reads, the actual damage, physical or otherwise, to the unlicensed person's customer.

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Ms. Bao-Garciga moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board impose a \$15,000.00 fine plus \$1,145.00 costs to be paid within 30 days of the final order citing Rule 61-5.007(8)(g), F.A.C. for consumer harm.

Second: Ms. Bao-Garciga seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. Mark A. Tower and Techniprints, LLC

Case Numbers 2015-016050 and 2015-033455

PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez

PCP Recommendation: \$10,000.00 fine plus \$2,155.50 costs

The respondent was not present or represented by counsel. Mr. Rodriguez was recused from review of the cases due to his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The cases were before the board based on a two count administrative complaint for practicing architecture without a license and practicing through a business entity without a certificate of authorization. Hand service of the administrative complaint was unsuccessful. Service was achieved through a notice of publication in the Tampa Bay Business Journal. The respondent failed to respond to the administrative complaint.

The board discussed that the cases involved consumer harm and reviewed the mitigating and aggravating circumstances. The board reviewed Rule 61-5.007(8)(g), F.A.C., Disciplinary Guidelines for Unlicensed Activity, which reads, the actual damage, physical or otherwise, to the unlicensed person's customer.

After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Ms. Bao-Garciga moved that the board find that the administrative complaint was properly served upon the respondent and that the respondent waived the right to dispute the material facts by failure to timely respond thereto, and that the board adopts the findings of fact and conclusions of law as set forth in the administrative complaint.

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

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board impose a \$10,000.00 fine plus \$2,155.50 costs to be paid within 30 days of the final order citing Rule 61-5.007(8)(g), F.A.C. for consumer harm.

Second: Ms. Bao-Garciga seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. Caridad Maria Sola

Case Number 2017-040046

PCP: Hall, Rodriguez, and Rivers

PCP Recommendation: Revocation plus \$600.00 costs

Settlement Stipulation: Suspension until compliance plus \$600.00 costs

The respondent was not present or represented by counsel. Mr. Rodriguez and Mr. Rivers were recused from the review of the case due to their participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The case was before the board for a one count administrative complaint for failing to comply with a lawful order of the board.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig move that the board approve the settlement stipulation as presented.
Second: Ms. Bao-Garciga seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. Architypes.Com
Case Number 2016-038340
PCP: Hall, Smith, and Rodriguez
PCP Recommendation: \$750.00 fine
Settlement Stipulation: \$500.00 fine

The respondent was not present or represented by counsel. Mr. Rodriguez was recused from the review of the case due to his participation on the Probable Cause Panel. The case was before the board based on a one count administrative complaint for practicing architecture through a business entity without a license. After discussion, the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Jernigan moved that the board approve the settlement stipulation as presented with the hand written changes reflecting a \$500.00 fine.
Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DBPR vs. Mariela Martin-Fernandez and Remodel by Design, LLC
Case Number 2014-042066
PCP: Hall, Shore, Costoya, and Rivers
PCP Recommendation: \$4,500.00 fine plus \$1,672.50 costs
Settlement Stipulation: \$1,250.00 fine plus \$1,672.50 costs
Mr. Minacci pulled this case from the agenda.

Voluntary Relinquishment

DBPR vs. Isabel W. Wise
Case Numbers 2017-057882

Motion: Mr. Rivers moved that the board approve the voluntary relinquishment as presented.
Second: Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Petition for Variance of Rule 61G1-22.002(4), Florida Administrative Code

Kelly Schad

Petition Review

The board reviewed the petition and Mr. Butler's recommendation. Ms. Schad's petition requests that the board vary from the manner in which her experience is documented.

The board discussed that Ms. Schad qualified to sit for the NCIDQ exam through validating education and experience and had practiced in New York since 2004. After discussion, the following motions were made.

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez moved that the board grant the petition for variance based on her experience validated by the NCIDQ certificate issued in 2004, because she is unable to get the original supervisor to validate her experience it would constitute a hardship, and that Ms. Schad met the intent of the statute.

Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion. It passed with Ms. Bao-Garciga opposing.

Application Review

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez moved that the board approve the application for licensure.

Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion. It passed with Ms. Bao-Garciga opposing.

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2018 – Probable Cause Panel, Miramar Beach, Florida

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board ratify the Probable Cause Panel Meeting Minutes as presented.

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

January 25-26, 2018 – General Business, Miramar Beach, Florida

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board approve the General Business Meeting Minutes as presented.

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

Ratification Lists

Licensure

Architecture Licensed by Examination, Architecture Licensed by NCARB Examination, Architecture Licensed by NCARB Endorsement, Architecture Licensed by State Endorsement, Architecture Licensed by Null and Void Hardship, Architecture Licensed by Specialty License/Threshold, Architecture Business Licensed by Corporation, Fictitious Name, Partnership, and Limited Liability, Architecture Business Name Change, Interior Designer by Endorsement, Interior Designer License by Dual, Interior Designer Licensed by Null and Void/Hardship, Interior Design Business Licensed by Fictitious Name, Limited Liability Corporation, Interior Design Business Licensed by Dual, and Interior Design Licensed Name Change.

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez moved that the board approve the Licensure Ratification List as presented.

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

Continuing Education

East Coast Institute of Feng Shui, Erdman Anthony of Florida, Inc., JC Code & Construction Consultants, Inc., and YKK AP America, Inc.

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez moved that the board approved the Continuing Education Ratification List as presented.

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

The board requested that future continuing education ratification lists include the health, safety, and welfare or optional designation.

General Discussion

NCARB Draft Resolutions for 2018 Annual Business Meeting

No discussion for information only.

NCARB 2018 Annual Business Meeting Invitation and Information

Mr. Toppe designated the following to attend the Annual Business Meeting.

Mr. Toppe, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Nolen, and Ms. Woodard.

NCARB Regional Summit, Wichita, Kansas

NCARB Member Board Executive 2018 Workshop PowerPoint

Mr. Ehrig reported that the rules of conduct will be reviewed and discussed at the Annual Business Meeting. Mr. Rodriguez was elected as the Treasurer for Region 3.

The board discussed the importance of having board counsel attend the NCARB Annual Business Meetings.

Motion: Mr. Jernigan made a motion to direct Mr. Toppe, Chair, to contact Mr. Tellechea and request travel authorization for Ms. Clark to attend the 2018 NCARB Annual Business Meeting.

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

2018 Southern Conference of NCARB Region 3 Leadership Training and Educators & Practitioners Conference

Ms. Woodard reported that the meeting was informative and well attended. She reported that the first two IPAL individuals eligible for licensure were in attendance.

NCARB Fast Facts March 2018

For information purposes only.

Prosecutorial and Investigative Services – Contract Review

After review and discussion the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board approve the contract as presented.
Second: Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Reports

Board Chair – Jonathan Toppe

Mr. Toppe thanked the board for their service.

Executive Director's Report – Krista Woodard

Financials - Operating Account and Unlicensed Activity Account

Ms. Woodard reviewed the financial reports and confirmed a positive balance.

AIA Florida – Vicki Long

Ms. Long reported that the Senate Bill 536, House Bill 875 passed which clarifies that design professionals would have the ability to file third party claims even after the ten year statute of repose. Legislation to reduce the members of the Florida Building Commission did not pass but would be filed again next year.

Ms. Long reported that they asked the National Organization to assist with education materials regarding Public Procurements. She reported that they offered two webinars about electronic signing and sealing. She reported that they would be spending time during the next legislative session educating newly elected members regarding the architecture profession and the board's privatization contract for investigative and prosecutorial services.

Ms. Long reported that they filed an appeal with the Division of Administrative Hearings regarding the Florida Building Commission's interpretation of House Bill 1021.

Ms. Long reported that they would work to update the guide, "A Building Official's Guide to the Professional Practice of Architects & Engineers in Florida" and the electronic document submission product.

IDAF – Cynthia David

No report.

ASID – Dave Roberts

Mr. Roberts reported that the Senate Bill 526/House Bill 15 regarding deregulation of the business license did not pass. He reported that they would work during the next legislative session educating newly elected members regarding the interior design profession. He reported that in future legislative sessions they expect to see another effort to deregulate the interior design profession. He reported that an amendment was moving forward in the Constitutional Revision Commission about Declaration of Rights on Occupational Licensing which affects all professions.

Prosecuting Attorney's Report – David K. Minacci

Fines Chart – Summary
Fines Chart – Licensed
Fines Chart – Unlicensed
Prosecutor’s Case List Licensed/Unlicensed Cases
Investigator’s Case List Licensed/Unlicensed Cases
Billable Hours – December 2017
Billable Hours – January 2018
Billable Hours – February 2018
Results of the January 2018 Board Meeting
Speaking Engagements and Press Releases
Building Officials Association of Florida (BOAF) News
For information purposes.

Future Board Meetings - Discussion of proposed schedule and locations

Location: Ponte Vedra, Florida
Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa
1100 PGA tour Boulevard, Ponte Vedra, Florida 32082
Telephone (904) 285-7777
July 17, 2018 – Probable Cause Panel at 9:00 a.m.
July 18, 2018 – General Business at 9:00 a.m.

Hyatt Place Ft. Lauderdale
17th Street Convention Center
1851 SE 10th Avenue
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33316
Telephone (954) 763-7670
October 18, 2018 – Probable Cause Panel at 9:00 a.m.
October 19, 2018 – General Business at 9:00 a.m.

New Business

No new business.

Old Business

No old business.

Adjourn

Motion: Mr. Rodriguez moved that the meeting adjourn.
Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.