

MINUTES  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIOR DESIGN

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

August 21, 2014  
2:00 p.m. Eastern Time

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Call to Order

Mr. Rodriguez, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

John Ehrig  
Miguel Rodriguez, Chair  
Hector Fernandez  
J. Emory Johnson  
Kenan Fishburne  
Dylan Rivers  
James Blanz  
Ivette O'Doski

Board Members Absent:

Francisco Costoya, excused  
Jonathan Toppe, excused  
Aida Bao-Garciga, excused

Others Present:

Mary Ellen Clark, Board Counsel  
David Minacci, Prosecuting Attorney  
Juanita Chastain, Executive Director  
Terri McEwen, Government Analyst  
Alexis Batista  
Lois Plymale-Gregg  
Andrew Janecek, Performance Officer  
David Roberts

Application Review

Alexis Batista – Interior Design

Mr. Batista was present and provided a statement regarding his credentials. Mr. Batista applied for licensure per Section 481.213(2), Florida Statutes, Licensure. Mr. Batista does not meet the education requirements set forth in Section 481.209(2), Florida Statutes, Examination or Rule 61G1-22.003, Florida Administrative Code, Education Requirements for Interior Designers.

Mr. Butler, the board's consultant, recommended denying the application because Mr. Batista's Bachelor's degree is in architecture, the architecture course descriptions do not meet the board's educational standards, and his Associates' degree is not acceptable for interior design studies. The board has no authority to approve Mr. Batista's application as presented. After review and discussion the board allowed Mr. Batista to withdraw his application for licensure.

Arrington Watkins Architects, LLC – Architecture Certificate of Authorization  
The application was before the board based on an affirmative answer to a background question. After review and discussion the following motion was made by the board.

Motion: Mr. Rivers moved that the board approve the application as presented.  
Second: Ms. O'Doski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Brian Chamberlain – Architect

Prior to the meeting, Mr. Chamberlain notified the board office that he was withdrawing his application for licensure.

Petition for Variance from Rule 61G1-13.001, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.)

Lois Plymale-Gregg

Ms. Plymale-Gregg was present and petitioned for a permanent variance or waiver from the Intern Development Program which was amended October 2012 through Legislative changes to Section 481.211, Florida Statute, Architecture Internship enacted July 2012. After review and discussion the following motion was made by the board.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board approve the petition for variance or waiver from Rule 61G1-13.001, F.A.C., based on the fact that Ms. Plymale-Gregg applied for examination and licensure prior to the 2012 statutory and rule changes and she met the requirements based on her Master's Degree.  
Second: Ms. Fishburne seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

General Business

Mandate – Diaz & Russell Corporation

After review and discussion of the Mandate the following motion was made by the board.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board vacate the final order entered June 11, 2013, the fines, the costs, and dismiss the case.  
Second: Mr. Fernandez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Review of Smith, Thompson, Shaw, Minacci & Colon Contract Amendment

The board reviewed the amended and restated contract. After discussion the following motion was made by the board.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board approve the amended and restated contract as presented.

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

New Business

No new business.

Old Business

No old business.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Blanz moved to adjourn the meeting.

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