MINUTES

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
NORTHWOOD CENTRE
1940 N. MONROE ST
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399

JANUARY 27, 2016
&
JANUARY 28, 2016

Approved 4/27/2016

MEMBERS PRESENT
Mervin Dale, Chair
Dr. Jonathan Arthur
Lou Bush
Michael DeNeve
Norman Meeks
Robert Poppell
Stanley Warden

MEMBERS ABSENT
Michael Alfieri, Vice-Chair (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT
Richard Morrison, Executive Director
Robert Milne, Board Counsel
Donald Shaw, Government Analyst II
GW Harrell, Director, Department of Business and Professional Regulation (“DBPR”)
Tim Vaccaro, Deputy Secretary, DBPR
William Aley
Benjamin Stewart
Richard Zion
David Miller
Wyatt Stutts
John Burnette
Glen McGraw
Marque Woodard
Court Reporter
The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dale, Chair, at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2016. Mr. Dale led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance and Mr. Bush gave the invocation.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

October 2015 General Business Meeting

The board reviewed the minutes and after discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.
SECOND: Mr. DeNeve seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEW

- Endorsement

  Scott Alderfer

  Mr. Alderfer was not present.

  After discussion the following motion was made:

  MOTION: Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the application for endorsement.
  SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

  William Aley

  Mr. Aley was present and he was sworn in by the court reporter.

  After discussion the following motion was made:

  MOTION: Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the application for endorsement.
  SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

  Geoffrey King

  Mr. King was not present.

  After discussion the following motion was made:

  MOTION: Dr. Arthur made a motion to approve the application for endorsement.
  SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

  David Miller

  Mr. Miller was present and was sworn in by the court reporter.
After discussion, Mr. Miller requested the Board allow him to withdraw his application for endorsement and to convert his application to an application to sit for the examination.

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to allow the applicant to withdraw his endorsement application and approve the applicant to sit for the examination. SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Randolph Paetz

Mr. Paetz was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Meeks made a motion to approve the application for endorsement. SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Benjamin Stewart

Mr. Stewart was present and he was sworn in by the court reporter.

After discussion Mr. Stewart requested that the Board allow him to change his method of application from an examination application to a geologist-in-training application.

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination. SECOND: Mr. Warden seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Wyatt Stutts

Mr. Stutts was present and he was sworn in by the court reporter.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Dr. Arthur made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the examination. SECOND: Mr. DeNeve seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Kayla Zonnevylle

Ms. Zonnevylle was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Dr. Arthur made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the examination.
SECOND: Mr. DeNeve seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Richard Zion

Mr. Zion was present and he was sworn in by the court reporter.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the examination.
SECOND: Mr. Warden seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

• Geologist-in-training

Casey Albritton

Mr. Albritton was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

James Anders

Mr. Anders was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Dr. Arthur made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

John Burnette

Mr. Burnette was present and he was sworn in by the court reporter.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Mr. Meeks seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jacquelyn Delp

Ms. Delp was not present.
After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jordan Gibson

Mr. Gibson was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Mr. Warden seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Brandon McBath

Mr. McBath was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Meeks made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Kyle McMearty

Mr. McMearty was not present

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Brian Studiale

Mr. Studiale was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Meeks made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Brian Szenay

Mr. Szenay was not present.
After discussion the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.

**SECOND:** Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Anna Woodson

Ms. Woodson was not present.

After discussion the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.

**SECOND:** Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 28, 2016.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dale, Chair, at 9:05 a.m. on Thursday, January 28, 2016.

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**CHAIR’S REPORT**

Mr. Dale had nothing to report.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Mr. Morrison invited Tim Vaccaro, G.W. Harrell, and Drew Winters to address the Board regarding the Department’s legislative package and potential changes to Chapter 492, Florida Statutes.


Mr. Morrison discussed the budget projections with the board and briefly explained the process of transferring funds from the ULA account to the primary operating account.

Mr. Morrison also reviewed the Complaints and Investigations Report.

Mr. Morrison also went over some detailed information regarding GIT candidates.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY’S REPORT

The prosecuting attorney was not at the meeting because there were no disciplinary cases on the agenda. Therefore, Mr. Shaw read into the record that there were no cases.

ATTORNEY GENERAL’S REPORT

Mr. Milne went over the Rule Report and provided the Board with an update on the following rules:

61G16-3.002
61G16-4.003
61G16-6.001
61G16-8.001

Mr. Milne also requested that the Board review proposed language for Rule 61G16-3.001. Proposed language was discussed and read into the record. After additional discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Dr. Arthur made a motion to approve and adopt the language read into the record, to promulgate the rule changes, and to delegate the authority of final approval of the language to the Chair, Mr. Dale.
SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

After additional discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion that the rule would not create additional regulatory costs exceeding $200,000 nor would the rule adversely affect small business, and because of this, a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Cost was not needed.
SECOND: Mr. Deneve seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. Dale reviewed the task function form with the board and staff. Completed items were removed and new items were added.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Board reviewed the draft of Mr. Dale’s GIT letter and suggested changes.

Mr. Dale also requested that Board Members volunteer to make contact with Universities around Florida to discuss the GIT program and to possibly coordinate future board meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

Dates and locations for the 2016 meetings were discussed and agreed upon.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business was discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:07 P.M.