

**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Art Ovation Hotel  
1255 N. Palm Avenue  
Sarasota, FL 34236**

**October 24, 2018 9:00 AM  
October 25, 2018 9:00 AM**

**Approved January 23, 2019**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:00 a.m. by Michael DeNeve, Chair.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Michael DeNeve, Chair  
Norman Meeks, Vice-Chair  
Stanley Warden  
Michael Alfieri  
Dr. Jonathan Arthur  
Lou Bush  
Mervin Dale

**STAFF PRESENT**

Rick Morrison, Executive Director, DBPR  
Lina Hurtado, Government Analyst II, DBPR  
Robert Milne, Board Counsel, Office of the Attorney General  
Jerry Holsey, Prosecuting Attorney, DBPR

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Imperial Court Reporting (941)751-0605  
Troy P. Bernier  
Michael Cook  
Phil Hoffken

The meeting was opened with a roll call and a quorum was established.

**III. PROBABLE CAUSE PANEL (Portion closed to the public)**

(Mike Alfieri, Norman Meeks, Mervin Dale)

#### IV. DISCIPLINARY HEARING (Full Board)

Gary A. Santti - Case# 2015-027054

Mr. Holsey was present and he presented case # 2015-027054 to the board for review, Mr. Alfieri and Mr. Bush were excused from voting on this case since they were part of the Probable Cause Panel. After discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.

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

#### V. APPLICATION REVIEW

##### ENDORSEMENT

##### **Dirk Grahl**

Mr. Grahl was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Dr. Arthur made a motion to approve the application for licensure by endorsement.

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

##### **Gary K. Sawyer**

Mr. Sawyer was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the application for licensure by endorsement.

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

##### **Wendy Drummond**

Mrs. Drummond was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the board determined that the application was incomplete, because it was missing education equivalency and the board was not able to determine course hours. The following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Bush made a motion to table this application and application was deemed incomplete.

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

**Brittany L. Johnston**

Mrs. Johnston was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Dale made a motion to approve the application for licensure by endorsement.

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

**INITIAL BY EXAMINATION**

**Philip Hoffken**

Mr. Hoffken was present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the application for licensure by examination.

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

**Michael Cook**

Mr. Cook was present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the application for licensure by examination.

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

**Samuel J. Hankinson**

Mr. Hankinson was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Dale made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the examination.

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

**Shakira A. Khan**

Ms. Khan not was present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Meeks made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the examination.

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

**Alan Blackwell**

Mr. Blackwell not was present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Mr. Meeks made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the examination.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Bush seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### **GEOLOGIST IN TRAINING**

#### **Aaron M. Falzarano**

Mr. Falzarano was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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:** Mr. Dale seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Brandon T. Fish**

Mr. Fish was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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:** Dr. Arthur seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Robert J. Carroll**

Mr. Carroll was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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:** Dr. Arthur seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Kyle M. Turner**

Mr. Turner was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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:** Dr. Arthur seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Belen Maruri**

Ms. Maruri was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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:** Dr. Arthur seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Sumin Vladislav**

Mr. Vladislav was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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:** Dr. Arthur seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Vincent Carter**

Mr. Carter was present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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:** Dr. Arthur seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **UPGRADE**

#### **John Pazel**

Mr. Pazel was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and after discussion, the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to conditionally approve this application; applicant needs to provide current employment verification.

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

#### **VI. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Mr. DeNeve announced that Mr. Troy Bernier was present and he opened the floor for his comments.

Mr. Bernier addressed the Board and stated that he will be providing reading material before the next Board meeting for the board to review and comment.

#### **VII. ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT**

Mr. Milne was present and he presented Rule 61G16-4.005 for the Board review.

**61G16- 4.005**

The Board reviewed the proposed rule language and after discussion the following motion was made:

**MOTION:** Mr. Bush made a motion to approve the proposed Rule language as amended and promulgate the Rule.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to state that no SERC is required.

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

**Election of Officers**

Mr. DeNeve asked for nominations and the following motions were made:

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to nominate Mr. Meeks Chair.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. Alfieri made a motion to nominate Mr. Warden for Vice- Chair.

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

**2019 Board Meeting Schedule**

After discussion the board decided on the following dates and cities:

January 24 & 25, 2019 – Tallahassee, FL

April 25 & 26, 2019 – St. Augustine, FL

July 24 & 25, 2019 – Ft. Lauderdale, FL

October 24 & 25, 2019 – Naples, FL

The meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 25, 2018.

**October 25, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Meeks, Chair, at 9:00 AM.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Morrison stated he had no reports.

## **IX. TASK FORM**

### **Florida Statute 492 presentation**

Mr. Bush would like to get a fresh copy of Florida Statute 492 rewrite to get more comments and additional information. Mr. Bush will be sending his comments to the Board's office to be shared with the Board.

### **Development of an unofficial application commentary**

Dr. Arthur provided his comments to Mr. Milne and he will draft language to be presented to the Board to be discussed during the next meeting.

### **Draft language for additional requirements to return from N&V**

The Board agreed to keep draft language for additional requirements to return from N&V to be discussed during the next meeting.

### **Experience verification form**

The Board would like to request that all verifiers must include a resume outlining experience to be discussed during the next meeting.

### **GIT registration form and background check**

The Board agreed to add a GIT registration form and background check to applications by upgrade from GIT and the board would like to request transcripts to ensure that applicants graduated and have the required credit hours. Mr. Morrison and Mr. Milne will present to the Board to be discussed during the next meeting.

## **X. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to discuss.

## **XI. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business to discuss.

## **XII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comments.

## **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Mr. Meeks made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**SECOND:** Mr. Dale seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Meeks, Chair.