

**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGIST**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Embassy Suites by Hilton  
Orlando International Drive Convention Center  
8978 International Drive  
Orlando, FL 32819**

October 21- October 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

**Approved on February 23, 2022**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:01 a.m. by Mr. Michael DeNeve, Acting Chair.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Michael DeNeve-Acting Chair  
Stanley Warden –Acting Vice Chair  
Guy “Harley” Means  
Norman Meeks  
Michael Alfieri

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Lou Bush, Chair- Excused

**STAFF PRESENT**

Rick Morrison, Executive Director, DBPR  
Lina Hurtado, Government Analyst II, DBPR  
Marlene Stern, Board Counsel, Office of the Attorney General

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Phipps Reporting – Court Reporter 888-811-3408  
Jan McLaughlin  
Connor McLaughlin  
John Patrick Burden Jr.  
Robin Speidel  
John Theriac  
John Olson

Andrew Smith

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

#### REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board members reviewed the minutes from the July 14, 2021 Meeting.

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

**SECOND:** Mr. Means seconded the motion and it passed.

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#### APPLICATION REVIEW

##### ENDORSEMENT

David J. Ebinger

Mr. Ebinger 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 application for licensure by endorsement.

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

Eric Tyler Friedman

Mr. Friedman was not present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to deny the application for licensure by endorsement. Section 492.105(1)(e), Florida Statutes, requires five years of verified professional geological work experience to become initially licensed or licensed by endorsement. The endorsement application submitted by the Applicant demonstrated between 3 and 4 years of verified professional geological work experience, and the endorsement application must therefore be denied.

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

Marian Montgomery Spillane

Ms. Montgomery Spillane was not 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 endorsement.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Warden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Brandon Michael Stau

Mr. Stau 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 application for licensure by endorsement.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Warden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

John Theriac

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

John L. Olson

Mr. Olson was present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. Meeks made a motion to approve the application for licensure by endorsement.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Warden seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Brent Vickery Aigler

Mr. Aigler 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 application for licensure by endorsement.  
**SECOND:** Mr. Means seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### **INITIAL BY EXAMINATION**

Sabrina Camara Dos Santos Porto

Ms. Camara Dos Santos Porto 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 application for licensure by examination.  
**SECOND:** Mr. DeNeve seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Robin Stanley Speidel

Mr. Speidel was present.

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

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

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

Manuel Arias

Mr. Arias was not present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the practice portion of the examination (Upgrade).

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

Crystal A. Smiech

Ms. Smiech was not present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the practice portion of the examination (Upgrade).

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

Andrew M. Smith

Mr. Smith was present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the practice portion of the examination (Upgrade).

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

Ashley Rowe

Ms. Rowe was not 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. Alfieri seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Jonathan Ascher- Reconsideration/ Petition of Waiver

Mr. Ascher was present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. Meeks made a motion to deny the Petition of Waiver

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to consider the application for Geologist in Training.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the application for Geologist in Training.

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

Nathan Marcelo Roncal

Mr. Roncal was not present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to deny the application for licensure by examination. Rule 61G16-5.004 requires that the geological coursework be completed before the professional geological work experience such that the work experience constitutes an application of the geological coursework. This application must be denied because the applicant does not have 5 years of verified professional geological work experience that was completed after the required geological coursework.

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

John Allen Harris

Mr. Harris 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 practice portion of the examination (Upgrade).

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

Jesse P. Beckles

Mr. Beckles was not present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. Alfieri made a motion to approve the applicant to sit for the practice portion of the examination (Upgrade).

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

## **GEOLOGISTS IN TRAINING**

Rachael M. Merz

Ms. Merz was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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. Warden seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Andrew Kleinberg

Mr. Kleinberg was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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. Warden seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Connor McLaughlin

Mr. McLaughlin 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. Means seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Greta C. Mikell

Ms. Mikell was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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. Means seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Harshit Saini

Mr. Saini was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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. Warden seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously

Kaytlynn Mcinelli

Ms. Mcinelli was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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. Warden seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

George D. Optiz

Mr. Optiz 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 the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination. The application is approved if, the Applicant provides the Board with an official transcript, otherwise the application is denied.

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

Catlin Suzanne

Ms. Suzanne 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 the applicant to sit for the fundamentals portion of the examination.

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

Sarah Elizabeth Kreisle

Ms. Kreisle was not present.

The Board reviewed the application and 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. Warden seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

John P. Burden-GIT Endorsement

Mr. Burden was not present.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the application to register as Geologist in Training.

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

Monica Powers

Ms. Powers was not present.

**MOTION:** Mr. DeNeve made a motion to approve the application to register as Geologist in Training.

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

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Nothing to report.

### **ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT**

Nothing to report.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Morrison addressed the Board and provided an update on ASBOG's Computer Based testing and timeline.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.