

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Board of Professional Geologists

Meeting Type: Scheduled General Business/Committee Meeting
Meeting Date: October 20-21, 2004
Meeting Loc: Tallahassee

Board Members: K. Dawn Blackledge, Donald F. McNeill (Vice Chair), James W. Pease, Thomas M. Scott (Chair), Gabrielle Enos, Stuart W. Smith

Members Absent: Valerie R. Francisco

Department Staff: John Knap, (Executive Director)
Christa Patterson, (Government Analyst I)
Eric Hurst, (Prosecuting Attorney)

Other Attendees: Barbara Edwards, (Board Counsel)

Major Issues/Actions

- The Board reviewed 4 applications for licensure by endorsement (2 approved) and 2 applications for licensure by examination (2 approved).
- Fourth quarter financial report (June 30) presentation by Executive Director. Discussion of balances in operating and unlicensed activity accounts.
- Board considered ideas for material to be included in the next Geology newsletter including; SB 2276, ASBOG Convention update, Phase 1 Letter article, and Geologist of record article.
- Enforcement report by Executive Director providing First quarter 2004-2005 case and unlicensed activity statistics.
- Presentation of Population Report by Executive Director, currently 1,841 active individuals, 96 inactive individuals, 257 active businesses.
- Prosecuting Attorney presented a report on current discipline and unlicensed activity cases and 2 cases referred to DOAH.
- Board requested that the Executive Director invite the Division of Professions and Regulation Unlicensed Activity Coordinator to the January meeting to discuss current and future enforcement initiatives.
- Member Gabrielle Enos confirmed that this is her last meeting, as she will be vacating her seat on the Board. A request has been made for a replacement.
- Board reviewed and approved the revised Exam/Endorsement application and the Re-Examination application packages.
- Discussion regarding moving January 2005 meeting to Orlando/Tampa area to provide a central location for a proposed rules workshop.

Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Rule 61G16-3.001 Schedule of Fees Adopted by the Board, has been noticed for Rule development. This Rule change would increase the application fee for licensure by examination or endorsement from \$100 to \$150.
- Board conducted a complete review of the proposed new rules in the areas of disciplinary guidelines and penalties, necessary to implement SB 2276. A draft version was approved for Rule adoption.
- Board voted to approve final language for Rule 61G16-8.001(1)(2), Military Spouse Exemption with changes suggested by JAPC.

Next Meeting: January 19-20, 2005 Tampa
John T. Knap
Executive Director

Date: 11/8/04