

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Board of Professional Geologists

Meeting Type: General Business
Meeting Date: October 24 & 25, 2012
Meeting Loc: Hilton Pensacola Beach Gulf Front Hotel
12 Via De Luna Drive
Pensacola Beach, Florida 32561

Board Members: Louie Bush (Chair), James Funderburk, (Vice Chair), Robert Poppell, Mervin Dale, Jon Arthur,

Members Absent: Mathew Cain (Excused)

Department Staff: Richard "Rick" Morrison, (Executive Director)
Stacey Buccieri, (Government Analyst II)

Other Attendees: David Flynn, (Board Counsel)
Danielle S. Davis
Charles E. Dowman

Major Issues/Actions

- The board reviewed 12 applications; 4 were approved to take the examination and 8 were approved by endorsement.
- The board finalized and approved language for Section 492.105 Florida Statutes, which would make clear the experience requirement for licensure. The Board feels such revisions would streamline and simplify the process and promote consistent interpretation of the law.
- The board revised, finalized and approved language that would define Geologists in Training (GIT), responsible charge and responsible position within the profession. A GIT would enable a student in their final year, or a graduate with a degree in geology or related field, to apply for board approval to take the fundamentals portion of the National Association of State Board of Geology (ASBOG) examination. Clearly defining responsible charge and responsible position will help the board when qualifying applicant experience.
- The board developed a new disciplinary guideline language for self reporting criminal convictions by licensees. The board asked Mr. Flynn, the boards' counsel, to move forward with the rulemaking process on the language that was approved.
- Election of board officers was held and the board voted to retain Mr. Bush as Chair and Mr. Funderburk as Vice-Chair.

Action Items

- Request for legislative proposals from the board be placed on the Departments legislative package in regards' to GIT and experience requirements.

Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- None

Action Items

- NONE

Richard Morrison,
Executive Director