MINUTES
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

DOUBLETREE HOTEL & EXECUTIVE MEETING CENTER
4431 PGA BLVD.
PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA 33410

JANUARY 26, 2011
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JANUARY 27, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Harmon, Chair, at 1:01 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT
James Harmon, Chair
Robert Poppell, Vice-chair
James Funderburk
Louie G. Bush
Mervin Dale
Jon Arthur

MEMBERS ABSENT
Jorge Caspary - Excused
Matthew Cain - Excused

OTHERS PRESENT
Richard Morrison, Executive Director
David Flynn, Board Counsel
Stacey Merchant, Government Analyst II
Randy M. Curtis
Rafael Larry Gallardo
Troy Parrish Bernier
Colin M. Kennedy
Troy David Hays
Jennifer Kathleen Makino
Jeffrey M. Prewitt
Rommy LaHera
Robert Edwin Schatzman

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REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

• October 2010 General Business Meeting

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

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve these minutes with corrections.
SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

RECONSIDERATION OF MARK HARRY HORWITZ’S APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION

Mr. Horwitz was not present for this reconsideration of his application. Mr. Funderburk recused himself.

Mr. Flynn presented this case, stating that Mr. Horwitz’s application for licensure by examination was previously approved at the October 2010 meeting. Mr. Horwitz has not taken the ASBOG exam as of this date. Since that approval new information has been received showing that the number of hours and dates worked on the Experience Verification form were not correct.

Mr. Flynn stated that the board should decide if Mr. Horwitz has the required amount of experience.

After discussion, the following motions were made:

MOTION: Dr. Arthur made a motion to reconsider Mr. Horwitz’s application for licensure by examination and vacate the previous approval of this application.
SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Bush also made the motion to deny Mr. Horwitz’s application based on conflicting information on the experience verification forms.
SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF BRET JARRETT’S APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION

Mr. Jarrett was not present for this reconsideration of his application.

Mr. Flynn presented this case stating that Mr. Jarrett’s application was denied at the August 11, 2010 Telephone Conference Call due to the applicant’s failure to establish completion of the requisite work experience.
Mr. Jarrett timely requested reconsideration by the board and submitted new information verifying the required experience.

After discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to vacate the previous Notice of Intent to Deny and to approve Mr. Jarrett’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATION REVIEW

Endorsement

Randy M. Curtis

Mr. Curtis was present for the review of his application.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Curtis’ application for licensure by endorsement.
SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Rafael Larry Gallardo

Mr. Gallardo was present for the review of his application.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Dale made a motion to approve Mr. Gallardo’s application for licensure by endorsement.
SECOND: Mr. Funderburk seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Shane Michael Hickman

Mr. Hickman was not present for the review of his application.

After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to deny Mr. Hickman’s application for licensure by endorsement due to lack of job description information on the experience verification form.
SECOND: Mr. Harmon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. Lawrence was not present for the review of his application. After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Lawrence’s application for licensure by endorsement.
SECOND: Mr. Dale seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Joy Lynn Myers

Ms. Myers’ was not present for the review of her application. After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Funderburk made a motion to deny Ms. Myers’ application for licensure by endorsement because she has not passed the ASBOG examinations or an examination from another state that is substantially similar to the Florida examination.
SECOND: Mr. Harmon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

After further discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve Ms. Myers’ application for licensure by examination contingent upon payment of the additional $250 examination fee within 30 days of notification.
SECOND: Mr. Harmon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Examination

Troy Parrish Bernier

Mr. Bernier was present for the review of his application. After discussion the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Bernier’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Leighann E. Budde

Ms. Budde was present for the review of her application. After discussion the following motion was made:
MOTION:      Mr. Dale made a motion to approve Ms. Budde’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Bush seconded and the motion passed 5 to 1. Dr. Arthur was opposed.

Christopher Burroughs
Mr. Burroughs was present for the review of his application.
After discussion the following motion was made:
MOTION:      Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Burroughs’ application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Albert L. Delorge
Mr. Delorge was not present for the review of his application.
After discussion the following motion was made:
MOTION:      Mr. Dale made a motion to approve Mr. Delorge’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Funderburk seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jason R. Facundus
Mr. Facundus was not present for the review of his application.
After discussion the following motion was made:
MOTION:      Mr. Bush made a motion to approve Mr. Facundus’ application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jeffery D. Gernand
Mr. Gernand was not present for the review of his application.

MOTION:      Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Gernand’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Dale seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
Nicole Marie Gerwing

Ms. Gerwing was not present for the review of her application.

MOTION: Mr. Dale made a motion to approve Ms. Gerwing’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Michelle Renae Hays

Ms. Hays was not present for the review of her application.

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Ms. Hays’ application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Troy David Hays

Mr. Hays was present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Dale made a motion to approve Mr. Hay’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jason Jeremy Kam

Mr. Kam was not present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Kam’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Colin M. Kennedy

Mr. Kennedy was present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve Mr. Kennedy’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Harmon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
Mr. Klug was not present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Klug’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer Kathleen Makino

Ms. Makino was present for the review of her application.

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve Ms. Makino’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Funderburk seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jeffrey M. Prewitt

Mr. Prewitt was present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Prewitt’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Rommy LaHera

Ms. LaHera was present for the review of her application.

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Ms. LaHera’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

John Andrew Mayhut

Mr. Mayhut was not present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Harmon made a motion to approve Mr. Mayhut’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
Robert Edwin Schatzman

Mr. Schatzman was present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve Mr. Schatzman’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

James A. Tully

Mr. Tully was not present for the review of his application.

MOTION: Mr. Bush made a motion to approve Mr. Tully’s application for licensure by examination.
SECOND: Dr. Arthur seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was recessed until 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 27, 2011.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Harmon, chair, at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 27, 2011.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Richard Morrison

Mr. Morrison reviewed the Complaints and Investigations Report with the board.

Mr. Morrison also reviewed the Operating Account Financial Report ending September 30, 2010 and the Unlicensed Activity Financial Report ending September 30, 2010 with the board.
BOARD COUNSEL’S REPORT – David Flynn

Mr. Flynn provided the Board with a copy of Governor Scott’s Executive Order 11-01 suspending rulemaking and the Bill Summary for HB 1565.

After discussion, the board agreed to only discuss and draft possible rule change language at this time and to comply with the Governor’s Executive Order.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed the PowerPoint presentation and made corrections and changes. Mr. Harmon stated that he would make the changes and send to Mr. Morrison to distribute to the other members.

Election of Officers

Mr. Funderburk made a motion to nominate Mr. Harmon as Chair for another year. Mr. Poppell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Poppell made a motion to nominate Mr. Bush as Vice-Chair. Mr. Harmon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Request for Rule Consideration and Development “Draft” Documents

Mr. Pease sent in this request for a rule consideration and development. After discussion, this item was tabled to the May 12, 2011 meeting in Tampa with a request for Mr. Pease to attend and discuss this with the board.

Mr. Funderburk gave the board a report from the ASBOG Fall Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.