



Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists

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MINUTES

Board Meeting

Thursday, October 25, 2012

A meeting of the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists was called to order at 10:06 a.m. on Thursday, October 25, 2012 at the Board offices located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama. A quorum was present. Board members in attendance were Ms. Marsha Andrews (Chair), Mr. Abner Patton (Vice-Chair), Dr. David T. King (Secretary/Treasurer), Dr. Richard Esposito, Dr. Bashir Memon, and Mr. Roger Chapman. Board member absent from the meeting was Mr. James Heller. Also in attendance were Keith Warren (Executive Secretary), Mr. Bill Garrett (Board Counsel), Ms. Hope Paulene (Administrative Assistant) and Ms. Renee' Reames (assistant to Mr. Warren, Executive Secretary).

The change in regularly scheduled meeting date was advertised to the public on the Board's website, (www.algeobd.alabama.gov), as well as the Secretary of State's website, (www.sos.state.al.us), in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the September 20, 2012 meeting. Dr. Memon made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chapman and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported that there was no Executive Secretary report to present since having met last month.

Mr. Warren reported that the Administrative Services Contract was due to be renewed and that there were no changes in the contract. Dr. Esposito made a motion to approve the annual renewal of the Administrative Contract with Warren and Company. The motion was seconded by Mr. Patton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board reviewed the proposed 2013 meeting dates. Mr. Patton made a motion to accept the 2013 meeting calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chapman and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported that Mr. Chapman and Dr. Memon had recently been reappointed to the Board by the Governor.

The Board discussed submitting articles by November 1, 2012 to be published in the upcoming Board newsletter.

Mr. Chapman reported that he was continuing to review the proposed Mentoring Program to present recommendations to the Board.

The Board discussed conducting a continuing education program in 2013 and agreed that it was not feasible for the Board to conduct more than one Board-sponsored CE program in 2013. Ms. Andrews appointed Dr. Esposito and Mr. Chapman to serve on the CE Program Committee. A tentative date of April 22, 2013 was agreed upon and will be published in the newsletter. Mr. Warren agreed to obtain a quote from Marriott-Capitol Hill about having the program in Prattville.

The Board discussed changes in the statute regarding Exemptions. Mr. Warren reported that he would have additional information to consider on this matter when preparing for the 2013 Legislative session.

The Board discussed the diversity of the Board's composition being limited due to a lack of demographic diversity of the licensees.

The Board reviewed three (3) geologist applications for licensure, which included a previous applicant who was denied. Mr. Chapman made the motion to approve three (3) applicants for licensure. It was noted that a quorum was present. The motion was seconded by Dr. Esposito and unanimously approved by the Board (a list of the approved applications is available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes).

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is January 17, 2013.

There being no further business of the Board, the meeting was adjourn 10:57 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Marsha Andrews

Chair



Board Approved Applications for License
on October 25, 2012

Approved Geologist Licenses:

Benjamin D. Grove, Jr.—Reciprocity from Georgia

Gay Nell Gutierrez—Reciprocity from Texas

Roger E. Marlin—ASBOG Examination