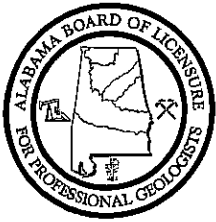


Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists

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MINUTES Board Meeting Thursday May 18, 2006

A meeting of the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists was called to order at 10:02 a.m. on Thursday, May 18, 2006 at the Board office in Montgomery, Alabama. A quorum was present. Board members in attendance were Mr. J. Mark Tanner (Chair), Mr. Robert B. Carr, III (Vice-Chair), Mr. Thomas (Tom) E. Bruner, Dr. David T. King, Jr., Mr. Markel R. Wyatt and Ms. Dorothy Malaier. Dr. Berry (Nick) Hearn Tew was not present. Also in attendance were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Secretary), Ms. Hope Paulene (Executive Assistant), and Ms. Mary Windom (Board Counsel).

The meeting was advertised to the public in the *Montgomery Advertiser* and posted on the Board's website (www.algeobd.alabama.gov) as well as the Secretary of State's website (www.sos.state.al.us).

The Board reviewed the minutes from the January 19, 2006 meeting. Mr. Carr made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bruner, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Secretary's report, which included the following statistical information:

- A) Number of Licensees (As of May 17, 2006)
 - 1. Professional Geologists (PGs): 561
 - 2. Geologist-In-Training (GITs): 2
 - 3. Temporary Licensees: 3
 - (Current)
 - 4. Licenses Not Renewed 2005 (As of May 17, 2006)
 - a. January 2006: 8
 - b. February 2006: 1
 - c. March 2006: 3
 - d. April 2006: 5
 - Total: 17**
 - 5. Licenses to be Renewed 2006
 - a. May: 7
 - b. June: 18
 - c. July: 5
 - d. August: 22
 - e. September: 9
 - f. October: 19

h. November	27
i. December	13
Total:	118

- B) Financial Report
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| 1. Budget Authorized | \$75,000.00 |
| 2. Expenditure Vouchers (10/1/05—5/12/06): | \$23,801.60 |
| 3. Deposits (10/1/05—5/12/06): | \$21,400.00 |
| 4. Current Cash Balance (As of 04/30/06): | \$35,022.18 |

(These reports are available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes.)

Mr. Bruner made a motion to note the Finance Committee's review of the Board's financial report, and accept the report as given. The motion was seconded by Dr. King, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board addressed the issue of Mr. Bennett Bearden's departure as Board Investigator effective December 2006. The Chair asked for recommendations for a new investigator from the Board. The Board requested Mr. Tanner to contact Mr. Bob Land and Mr. Mark Chapman to inquire about filling the position. Mr. Bruner volunteered to contact Mr. Tony Hubbard to discuss his willingness to serve as well. Mr. Tanner and Mr. Bruner agreed to report their findings to the Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Mr. Tanner then addressed the expiring Board Appointments for Ms. Dorothy Malaier and Dr. Berry (Nick) Hearn Tew effective September 30, 2006. Ms. Malaier stated that she would be willing to serve another term, if reappointed. In the absence of Dr. Tew, the Chair and Mr. Warren phoned Dr. Tew to obtain his thoughts relative to serving another term. Dr. Tew stated that he would consider the request and get back to the Board with his decision. Mr. Tanner asked Mr. Warren to place a follow up phone call to Dr. Tew to express the Board's desire for him to serve another term on the Board.

Mr. Tanner suggested that the Board consider appointing a new Chair well in advance of the end of Mr. Tanner's term on the Board. Mr. Tanner expressed his opinion that there could be benefits for a new Chair if a new appointee could have some overlapping time with the prior chair.

Mr. Carr expressed his opinion that all new Board members should attend the August Board Member Training Session sponsored by the Examiners of Public Accounts. Mr. Warren responded that he would contact the Examiners of Public Accounts Director, Mr. John Norris, to set up a session that would focus on issues that pertain directly to Board functions for sometime in July or August 2006. The Board expressed that a willingness allow members of other Boards that are clients of Warren & Company, Inc. to attend the session. Mr. Warren also stated that Warren & Company, Inc. would incur the fees for a site to host the event.

Dr. King presented his proposed draft of a "Generic Letter to Continuing Education Activities and Professional Development Hours", which would be used as a response tool to licensees inquiring about the endorsement of certain seminars and classes for CE opportunities.

Dr. King made a motion to adopt the form letter as amended and for Ms. Paulene to email this letter to licensees who inquire about CE activities and if the licensee still needs further advisement, Ms. Paulene will forward the request to the entire Board for review. The motion was seconded by Ms. Malaier, and unanimously approved by the Board. (A copy of the form letter is attached to the Minutes).

Dr. King requested clarification of the items reported by the State of Alabama on a W-2 form. Mr. Warren and Ms. Paulene reported that they had previously researched Dr. King's request with the State of Alabama Comptroller's Office (GHRIS) and were informed that the only items reported on the W-2 are per diem and Board Member Compensation. Mileage is not reported.

Mr. Warren addressed the Board in regards to renewing the existing contract for Management Services with Warren & Company, Inc. pursuant to Alabama Act Number 2006-107. Mr. Warren explained to the Board that the existing contract was implemented in the fall of 2003 and will expire on November 22, 2006; however, the contract may now be renewed for an additional 2-year period (i.e. through November 22, 2008). Mr. Warren informed the Board that such renewal requires that the contract provisions remain the same.

Mr. Bruner made a motion to renew the existing contract with Warren & Company, Inc. for management services without changes through November 22, 2008. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carr, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board discussed its desire for universities in Alabama, which have accredited Geology Programs to consider using the ASBOG examination as the program's exit examination. Dr. King expressed the views of the Chair of the Auburn University Geology and Geography Department as being the University is currently not considering using the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology as an exit examination for its graduates. The Chair requested Mr. Bruner to contact Dr. Carl W. Stock and Dr. Harold H. Stowell of the Department of Geological Sciences to set up a time for Mr. Tanner, Mr. Bruner and Mr. Tew, all of whom are Alumni of the Alabama University, to meet regarding the idea of the exit examination.

At 12:20 p.m., Mr. Bruner made a motion for the Board to recess for lunch. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carr, and unanimously approved by the Board.

At approximately 1:30 p.m., the Board reconvened.

Mr. Tanner apprised the Board that the next newsletter needs to be drafted. Ms. Malaier expressed her desire for the lead article to be related to PGs working in the environmental field. Dr. King volunteered to contribute an article on continuing education and the proper documentation. The Board expressed its desire to publish a higher quality newsletter if the future. Mr. Warren volunteered to get quotes from EBSCO Media for formatting, printing, and mailing the next newsletter and report those to the Board.

Mr. Warren informed the Board of the ASBOG Annual Meeting in November and asked the Board to consider reimbursing his expenses (hotel, airfare, and registration) relating to the meeting, if funds at that time are available. The Board agreed to give Mr. Warren its decision at the September meeting.

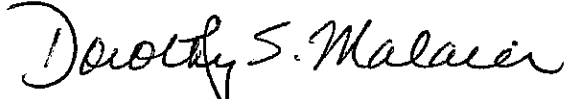
The Board reviewed eight (8) applications for licensure. Ms. Malaier made a motion to approve the applications for licensure as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carr, and unanimously approved by the Board. (A list of the approved applications is attached to the Minutes.)

The Board reviewed seven (7) renewal applications and reported Continuing Education (CE) hours, along with supporting documentation provided by the licensees. The Board requested Mr. Warren to draft a letter to be mailed to each licensee, who, based on the Board's review of supporting documentation, were determined by the Board to have unacceptable and/or insufficient CE credits.

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting is Thursday, September 21, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

The time being 3:10 p.m., and there being no further business, Mr. Carr made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bruner, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dorothy S. Malaier". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Dorothy Malaier
Secretary/Treasurer

Board Approved Applications for Licensure on May 18, 2006

Approved Geologist Licenses:

Joe Hardin-Reciprocity from Florida

Carrie L. Kruchell-Reciprocity from Florida

Jennifer Johnson Krueger-Reciprocity from Georgia

Randall Lantz-ASBOG Examination

Jason C. Mason-Reciprocity from Tennessee

William McLemore-Reciprocity from Georgia

David Steffy-ASBOG Examination

Karen Thorbjornsen-Reciprocity from Georgia