



## Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists

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### MINUTES

Board Meeting  
Thursday, October 23, 2014

A meeting of the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists was called to order at 10:12 a.m. on Thursday, October 23, 2014, 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. Bashir Memon, Mr. James Heller and Dr. Richard Esposito. Members not in attendance was Mr. Roger Chapman. Also in attendance were Keith Warren (Executive Secretary), Ms. Renee' Reames (assistant to Mr. Warren, Executive Secretary) and Dr. Douglas Haywick.

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

Mr. Warren prepared to administer the oath of office to Dr. Haywick. It was determined that he was unable to serve. The Board agreed to defer discussion of Board vacancies until later in the meeting.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 11, 2014 meeting. A copy of the minutes had been distributed to the Board members prior to the meeting for their review. Dr. Esposito made a motion to accept the April minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Memon and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reported on the Board's financial activities, along with the Executive Secretary's report (these reports are available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes):

- A) Number of Licensees (through September, 2014):
  - 1. Professional Geologists (PGs): 577
    - a. Alabama (230)
    - b. Out-of-State (347)
  - 2. Licenses not renewed (January-June) 15
  - 3. Geologist-In-Training (GITs) 11
  - 4. Retired Permanently 3
  - 5. Temporary License (current) 1
  
- B) FY 2013-2014 Financial Information (as of September 30, 2014)
  - 1. Revenue \$42,775.00
  - 2. Expenditure Vouchers \$57,720.68

3. Cash Balance (as of 9-3-2014): \$64,775.22

Mr. Warren reported that revenue was lean in 2014 and commented on typical expenses of the Board, e.g. ASBOG examination membership, General Liability and Fidelity Bond, Administrative Contract and, over the last several years, the Board-sponsored CE Program.

Ms. Paulene reported that 22 applicants took the Fundamentals exam and 6 took the Practice exam.

Mr. Patton made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Heller and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented to the Board for their approval the annual renewal of the Administrative Services Contract with Warren and Co., Inc. Dr. Esposito made a motion to renew the Administrative Services Contract for one year with no modifications. The motion was seconded by Mr. Patton and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Andrews reported that the following Board terms had expired: Dr. Esposito (Business), Dr. Memon (GeoTechnical) and Mr. Patton (Consultant). Mr. Warren reminded the Board members that they are allowed to continue to serve until a replacement had been appointed. The Board discussed recommendations for these positions and following a lengthy discussion about candidates, Mr. Heller made the motion to recommend to the Governor the following licensees for appointment to the Board, pending confirmation of their interest to serve on the Board: David T. Allison (Academia), William W. Cooch (GeoTechnical), Stephan C. Castleman (Consultant), and John B.D. Milledge (Business). The motion was seconded by Dr. Esposito and unanimously approved by the Board. Various Board members agreed to contact these individuals to confirm their willingness to serve on the Board and notify Mr. Warren of their interest.

Dr. Esposito volunteered to serve as an ad hoc member on the CE Committee and Ms. Andrews appointed Dr. Haywick along with Dr. Esposito. Dr. Memon made a motion to approve the ad hoc appointments to the CE Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Heller and unanimously approved by the Board. Ms. Andrews reported that other Board members would be appointed to this committee after new Board members are appointed. The Board agreed to conduct the next Board-sponsored CE program on April 13, 2015 and it be held in Birmingham.

The Board discussed Rule 364-X-5-.01 Curricula Approved by the Board and considered the content of the courses. Mr. Patton made a motion to modify 364-X-5-.01(2) by omitting the words *deemed mandatory* and replace with *suggested*. The motion was seconded by Dr. Memon and unanimously approved by the Board.

Election of Officers was tabled until new Board members were appointed.

Ms. Andrews presented the Board meeting scheduled for 2015. Mr. Patton made a motion to approve the following meeting dates: January 22, 2015, April 9, 2015, July 23, 2015 and October 22, 2015. The motion was seconded by Mr. Heller and unanimously approved.

The Board considered an inquiry to obtain PG license that had expired in 2008. The Board agreed that the applicant could apply by reciprocity if qualified or renew his license by submitting delinquent licensing fees, late fee, continuing education hours, etc., from 2008 or take the examination and reapply.

The Board reviewed 4 PG applications for licensing and it was noted that one applicant provided only 2 of the 3 references required. Dr. Esposito made the motion to approve the 4 applications, of which one was pending the receipt of an additional reference. The motion was seconded by Mr. Heller and approved by the Board (a list of the approved applications is available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes).

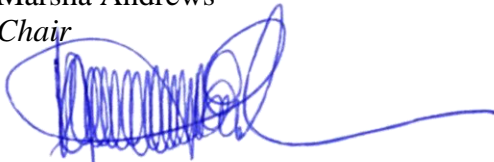
The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is January 22, 2015.

There being no further business of the Board, Ms. Andrews adjourned the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Marsha Andrews  
*Chair*



Keith E. Warren  
*Executive Secretary*

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