

STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EXAMINERS

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 26, 2005

Suite 111, 110 Centerview Drive

Columbia, SC

The State Board of Architectural Examiners convened January 26, 2005, in Columbia, South Carolina. Chairman Ward called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The following attended the meeting:

Dennis S. Ward	Chairman
J. Eugene Matthews	Vice-Chairman
Jose Caban	Secretary
Stokes Browning	Member
W. Barry Jenkins	Member
Jan B. Simpson	Administrator
Todd Bond	Investigator
Alice D. Richardson	Administrative Assistant
Sharon Dantzler, Esq.	LLR Advice Counsel

Member Tom Johnson was contacted prior to the meeting and his office staff indicated he would not be in attendance.

Administrator Simpson stated the **public notice** of the meeting was properly posted at the Board office and provided to organizations and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the S.C. Freedom of Information Act. A quorum was present at all times.

Chairman Ward welcomed new member W. Barry Jenkins to the Board.

Motion by Matthews, Second by Browning: To accept the **Minutes** of the November 16, 2004, meeting. Motion carried.

Exam Candidates – Motion by Matthews, Second by Caban: To approve the following persons to begin taking the Architect Registration Examination. Motion carried.

Hugh Clements
Marcus Brown
John Knight
Barry Augustin
Ryan McKibben

Compliance: No disciplinary cases were presented to the Board for review.

Hearing Procedures: Sharon Dantzler, LLR Advice Counsel, gave a brief overview of the procedures for conducting Application, Disciplinary and Final Order Hearings.

Budget Report: The Board accepted as information the Budget Report prepared by LLR's Finance division for the period ending November 30, 2004.

NCARB Committee Application form for FY '06: Chairman Ward encouraged each member to serve on an NCARB Committee. Member Jenkins indicated he would be willing to serve on a Committee.

Member Board Liaison/IDP Coordinator: Member Jenkins volunteered to serve as the Board IDP Liaison.

NCARB Committee Updates:

A.R.E Committee (Caban/Ward)

?? The Committee continues to revise and update the ARE, working toward a new exam in coming years.

IDP and IDP Coordinating Committee (IDPCC) (Simpson)

- ?? Emerging Professions Companion web-based document – Free to Interns enrolled in IDP and Professors in an accredited program
- ?? Creating an Exit Evaluation for IDP
- ?? Yearly \$50 Maintenance Fee for IDP record holders will be suspended when students return to school in an accredited degree program.

Member Ward will be attending the Educator's Conference on February 5, 2005, in Atlanta, GA.

Member Ward reminded the Board of the following Meeting dates:

- ?? March 16-20, Regional Meeting, Memphis, TN
- ?? June 22-26, NCARB Annual Meeting, Miami, FL

Reciprocity – Electronic Transmittals: In an effort to expedite the processing of Council Records, the Board will begin receiving NCARB Council Records by electronic transmission.

Upcoming CE Activities: Member Matthews reported that the Design Professional Group has planned three jointly sponsored continuing education events to be held on June 7th in Greenville, June 9th in Charleston and June 16th in Columbia. AIA/South Carolina will co-sponsor this event with the Design Professionals and will design and print the brochures, nametags and agenda. The registration fee will be \$50, and attendees will be able to receive a total of 6 hours of HSW credits. Administrator Simpson reminded the Board that they will provide funding from the Architecture Education and Research Fund. The Board approved funding of a maximum of \$5000.

Rolling Window Legislation: The "Rolling clock" legislation is now in the Governor's Office for approval. Susan Duncan, LLR's legislative liaison, hopes it will be ready for filing in the next 7-10 days.

Administrator's Report:

License Statistics as of 1/18/05:

Architects	3302
Firms	953

Legislation

S. 41 – curing non-residential defects

S. 42 – reduces statute of limitation from 13 years to six years.

S. 83 – defines “expert witness” and outlines procedures to be taken in professional negligence cases.

S. 131 – modification adopted by the Building Codes Council do not need to be readopted when subsequent editions of the Building Codes are published. However, provides for a procedure to reconsider if a written request is submitted to BCC.

S 136 – reduces statute of repose from 13 to six years.

S. 228 – regarding placement of fire hydrants

H. 3023 – exempts certain provisions of the State Procurement Code requirements and addresses competitive sealed bids. Debate was carried over on 1/25/05, to be taken up again in two weeks.

H. 3026 – House companion bill to S. 131

H. 3097 – House companion bill to S. 42 and S. 136.

H. 3195 – Requires power lines in Coastal Zones to be located underground.

Other Related Duties

Administrator Simpson will be out of the office February 10-14 for an Engineers NCEES meeting and for an NCARB IDP-CC Committee meeting; and February 17-21 (21st is a holiday) for an IDP Committee meeting. She was recently asked to serve on the IDP Firm of the Year Award jury to winnow entries to 3 or 4. The final selection will be made by the IDP-CC Committee.

{end of Administrator's Report}

Non-Agenda Item: The Board was informed that the company name Vascular Architects, Inc. was denied use of the word “architects” in their company name. Vascular Architects, Inc. is a medical device company that sells products to hospitals.

The board recessed for a brief catered lunch.

Building Official Manual: The Board reviewed the proposed draft of the Building Official's Manual prepared by Member Browning and suggested minor revisions. The Manual will be forwarded to the Engineering Board in February for their review/revision of the engineering-

related sections with a request that they submit their feedback by March. The Board would like to have the Manual completed by the May meeting.

LLR – Board Member Orientation Manual: The new Manual was recently distributed by e-mail to Board Members as a resource document. The Board acknowledged receipt of the Manual.

Final Order Hearings: The Board held a Final Order Hearing for Greg Pickett. A court reporter was present during these Hearings. The evidentiary Hearing was held in October 2004 before a Hearing Officer who issued a Report and Recommendation. The Board considered the Recommendation and made the following motion:

Motion by Caban, Second by Matthews: To approve the Final Order issued to Greg Pickett as written. Motion Carried.

Legislation: Administrator Simpson will notify Susan Duncan, Communications and Governmental Affairs, that the Board would like to see S83, relating to expert witnesses, amended as follows: Section 15-36-100(2)(b)(i), "...the active practice of the SPECIFIC area of specialty of his or her profession for at least three of the last five years immediately preceding the opinion;" The Board members noted that many "experts" are qualified to testify when they have no related experience. They believe adding the word "specific" will improve the proposed legislation and better protect the public.

Change in Administrative Procedures for Exam Applications will be carried over to the March Meeting.

There being no further business, the Board Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jose R. Caban, Secretary