KENTUCKY BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS MEETING MINUTES February 12, 2024

A special meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held at the Department of Professional Licensing (DPL) and via Zoom February 12, 2024.

MEMBERS PRESENT	DPL STAFF
William (Bill) Brab	Kristen Lawson, Commissioner
Dr. William Andrews	Jessica Brown, Board Administrator
Megan Cleinmark	Lyndsay Sipple, Board Supervisor
Austin Dilla	Courtney Cook, Operations Section Supervisor
MEMBERS ABSENT	LEGAL COUNSEL
Dr. Richard John Bowersox	Jeremy Sylvester
Guests	

CALL TO ORDER

William Brab called the meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists to order at 1:02 p.m.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Dr. William Andrews to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2023 board meeting. Motion seconded by Megan Cleinmark, carried.

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Lawson stated that the Department of Professional Licensing is transitioning over from using ZOOM to TEAMS now for document sharing for additional security purposes. This transition will be effective March 1, 2024.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statement for December 2023 & January 2024 were presented to the Board for review. William (Bill) Brab went over the current count of active licensees and how many licensees have yet to renew that Board Specialist Jessica Brown had provided. There are currently 1077 active, 35 inactive and 227 that have expired. It was discussed that licensees have 2 years to reinstate their license once they have let it expire, before they would have to apply for initial licensure again. William (Bill) Brab asked for a list of names and addresses for contact of all nonrenewed licensed geologists. Legal Jeremy Sylvester authorized that it was fine to provide Board Chair William (Bill) Brab to receive this list. Jessica Brown indicated that a mass email reminder to licensees was sent out in December that had yet to renew and that 229 cease and desist letters were sent out in January.

NEW BUSINESS

The transition to TEAMS from ZOOM for all DPL meetings had previously been discussed in the DPL report. This is effective March 1, 2024. The board discussed that they would like to all try to have an opportunity to log into the April TEAMS meeting early so, that this would make sure all members could log on successfully and connect. Jessica Brown indicated that there were 17 FG & 11 PG applicants registered to set for March 15, 2024 ASBOG exam.

OLD BUSINESS

LEGAL COUNSEL

No items of discussion at this time.

APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Applications Committee made the following recommendations:

<u>Professional Geologist Applications:</u> Approved – Christine Horch, Harry H. Morris, Jay Timothy Snyder, Olufeyiasyo B. Ilesanmi, Roy A. Stanley

<u>Professional Geologist Reinstatement:</u> Approved- Bobby J. Fowler, Brendan P. Merk, David E. Jackson, David L. Briggs, David Sugar, John O. Schwaller, Kelli E. Gagnon, Raymond G. Hummeldorf, Richard P. Raione, Robert T. Stidham, Sam J. Smith, Scout B. Munday, Seth Cude, Terry Moody, Timothy D. Edlin

Geologist In Training Applications: Approved- Sienna Meekhof

Geologist In Training Reinstatement: Approved- Suleiman Khan

Bill Brab made a motion to approve the application committee's recommendations. Motion seconded by Dr. William Andrews, carried.

COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

No items of discussion at this time.

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

No items to discuss at this time.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Travel and per diem are currently suspended. Would like to discuss reinstating. Dr. William Andrews recuses himself from discussion. Tabled for further discussion at the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

April 8, 2024 at 1pm.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Bill Brab to adjourn at 1:37 p.m. Motion seconded by Dr. William Andrews, carried.