

KENTUCKY BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
MEETING MINUTES
August 1, 2016

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions on August 1, 2016.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Larry R. Rhodes, Chair
Gil Cumbee
Stephen Wyatt
Jerry Weisenfluh
Marsha Meyer

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Lucie Duvall, Board Administrator
Susan Ellis, Operations Section Supervisor
Larry Brown, Executive Director

OTHERS

Ryan Halloran, Office of the Attorney General
Shawn Dutta, Office of the Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER

Larry R. Rhodes, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Marsha Meyer to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2016 meeting, as presented. Motion, seconded by Jerry Weisenfluh, carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The board reviewed the year end fiscal report for the month ending June 30, 2016, a financial statement for the month ending July 31, 2016, and a report showing the board's revenue and expenditures for the past five (5) years. The board questioned where the unspent allotment for the fiscal year went. The board was informed they did not lose that money, but it was refigured into their new budget and allotment for the next year. The board briefly discussed not reviewing the financial statements at board meetings since they have not say in the budget. Larry Brown, Executive Director of the Office of Occupations and Professions (O&P) informed the board they have a duty to report the financials and make them available to the public. No further action was required.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed an agreement between the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists and the National Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) for providing examinations. A motion was made by Gil Cumbee to approve the agreement as presented. Motion, seconded by Marsha Meyer, carried. Mr. Cumbee withdrew his original motion.

The board requested O&P's fiscal department review the agreement concerning the 180 day termination clause vs. a 30 day termination clause and report back to the board her findings. No further action was required.

The board reviewed information regarding the ASBOG Annual Fall Meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Meyer to approve registration, food, travel and hotel expenses for Larry Rhodes and Stephen Wyatt to attend the annual meeting. Motion, seconded by Mr. Weisenfluh, carried.

The board reviewed correspondence from Dago regarding if the five (5) year's work experience required for a PG license could be completed under a Professional Geologist or a Professional Engineer as long as the tasks are geology field related. A motion was made by Ms. Meyer to send Dago a response via email informing him that only a Professional Geologist could supervise a Geologist-In-Training. Motion, seconded by Mr. Weisenfluh, carried.

The board discussed ASBOG's proctor examination review process. A motion was made by Mr. Cumbee for any applicant making a request to review their exam results after the exam be allowed no more than four (4) hours to review their exam results. Motion, seconded by Mr. Wyatt, carried.

OLD BUSINESS

The board briefly discussed continuing education requirements for the board. No further action was required.

LEGAL COUNSEL

Ryan Halloran with the Attorney General's Office introduced Shawn Dutta as the new board attorney for the board. No further action was required.

Mr. Halloran also discussed briefly with the board the possibility of reorganization of boards by Governor Bevins and having Public Protection Attorneys serve the boards vs. the Attorney General's Office. Mr. Halloran said these things may or may not happen, but wanted to let the board know they may see some changes in the future with how boards are run. No further action was required.

APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The application committee reviewed nine (9) applications for licensure as a Professional Geologist for Robyn Brody, Joseph Lancaster, Paul Londeree, John Reuscher, Bernd Rindermann, Thad Slaughter, William Spencer, Cassidy Sutherland, and Vicki Voisard. The application committee recommended approval for all nine (9) applications.

The application committee reviewed five (5) applications for the FG portion of the ASBOG exam for Ryan Baisden, Isaac Hardesty, Clint Kappesser, Jody Weikart, and Patrick Whalen. The application committee made a recommendation to approval all five (5) applicants to sit for the FG portion of the ASBOG exam.

The application committee reviewed two (2) applications for the PG portion of the ASBOG exam for Mary McHugh and Jody Weikart. The application committee made a recommendation to approval both applicants to sit for the PG portion of the ASBOG exam.

A motion was made by Mr. Wyatt to approve the recommendations of the application committee. The motion, seconded by Mr. Cumbee, carried.

COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

2011-01 A motion was made by Mr. Wyatt to have the board administrator send out a dismissal letter and notify the applicant to submit an updated application if they are still seeking licensure here in Kentucky. Motion, seconded by Ms. Meyer, carried.

2016-01 The board reviewed a drafted advisory letter Mr. Halloran had prepared as requested from the last meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Wyatt to table sending the letter. Motion, seconded by Mr. Weisenfluh, carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Wyatt to approve the recommendations of the complaint committee. Motion, seconded by Mr. Weisenfluh, carried.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Ms. Meyer made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Mr. Cumbee, carried.

ADJOURN

Ms. Meyer made a motion to adjourn at 3:56 p.m., having no further items of discussion. The motion, seconded by Mr. Weisenfluh, carried.



Larry Rhodes, Board Chair