

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS  
MEETING MINUTES  
August 3, 2015**

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions on August 3, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Lindsey Melton, Board Administrator

OTHERS

Brian Judy, Office of the Attorney General

ABSENT

Marsha Meyer

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**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Wyatt to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2015 meeting, as presented. Motion, seconded by Mr. Cumbee, carried.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The financial statements for the month ending in June were presented to the Board for review. The Board acknowledged the financial statement as presented.

**REPORT FROM O&P**

Executive Director, Gordon Slone informed the Board that he would be meeting with the new Deputy Director of the Office of State Budget Director. They will be going over the general operations of the Office of Occupations and Professions and some of the budget concerns from the Boards such as fund transfers from the General Fund.

The office continues to work closely with the Commonwealth Office of Technology on the online license renewal/database project. Mrs. Melton has sent out renewal notices to all registrants and they may renew online or submit their paper copy.

**LEGAL COUNSEL**

Mr. Judy had nothing to report at the August meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Todd Hendricks with the Division of Waste Management spoke to the Board about some concerns he has with the registration exemption of Professional Engineers. Mr. Hendricks explained he feels like there are PE's practicing in areas of Geology that they have no knowledge of. He gave several examples of situations he felt were not dealt with properly. Mr. Wyatt asked if the Board should consider creating a Declaratory Ruling for PE's and which areas they should not offer assistance with out in the field. Mr. Weisenfluh made a motion for the Board to write a letter to the Professional Engineer Board expressing some concerns the Board has at this time and suggest a meeting between

the two Boards to go over these concerns face to face. Mr. Cumbee seconded that motion and it carried. Mr. Judy will begin working on the letter and will have the Board review before it is mailed.

Mr. Rhodes informed the Board that the ASBOG Annual meeting is coming up in November on the 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> in Delaware. Mr. Cumbee made a motion for Mr. Rhodes to represent the state of Kentucky and act as their delegate at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Weisenfluh seconded that motion and it carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Board continued discussion from the last several meetings of requiring Continuing Education to all registrants. Mr. Rhodes suggested talking to members of the geology community and getting their response and opinion. Representative Dennis Horlander attended the August meeting and asked if the Board had considered hiring a lobbyist. Since the Board does not have the authority to lobby a bill or pay for those services they would need to ask one of the associations if they would mind to take on that expense. Mr. Weisenfluh suggested asking AIPG to send out a poll by email asking registrants if it was something they would be in favor of doing to keep their registration active in Kentucky. Mr. Weisenfluh made a motion to approach the leadership of AIPG and ask them to conduct a poll regarding a need for CE's for all registrants. Mr. Cumbee seconded that motion and it carried.

### **APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE**

The applications committee reviewed seven (7) applications for Registration as Professional Geologists and five (5) applications for Geologist in Training. The applications for GIT were all approved to take the ASBOG exam in October. The seven applications for registration are all currently missing information and will have to be reviewed once more when missing documents are submitted. Mr. Cumbee moved to accept those recommendations submitted by the Applications Committee. Mr. Weisenfluh seconded that motion and it carried.

### **COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE**

#2011-01 – Ongoing – the committee would like to turn all of the information received by the subpoena to the Boards Investigator and open an investigation. Mr. Wyatt made a motion to proceed with an investigation. Mr. Weisenfluh seconded that motion and it carried. Mr. Cumbee recused himself from the vote and Mr. Rhodes opposed the action of the motion.

### **TRAVEL AND PER DIEM**

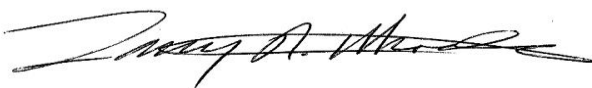
Mr. Cumbee made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Mr. Wyatt, carried.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on October 5, 2015 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.

### **ADJOURN**

Mr. Weisenfluh made a motion to adjourn at 3:18p.m., having no further items of discussion. The motion, seconded by Mr. Cumbee, carried.



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Larry Rhodes, Board Chair