

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS  
MEETING MINUTES  
August 3, 2009**

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held at the Frankfort office on August 3, 2009.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas P. Ryavec, Chair  
Larry R. Rhodes, Vice Chair  
Gil W. Cumbee  
Stephen R. Wyatt

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Frances S. Short, Division Director  
Barbara Rucker, Section Supervisor  
Wil King, Board Administrator

MEMBERS ABSENT

James Cobb, Ph.D.

OTHERS

Mark Brengelman, Assistant Attorney General  
Judith Hower, Communications Specialist

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Thomas P. Ryavec, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:57pm/EST

**MINUTES**

Motion was made by Gil Cumbee to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2009 meeting, motion was seconded by Stephen Wyatt, carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

A motion was made by Thomas Ryavec-Chair to accept the financial statement, as presented, motion seconded by Larry Rhodes-Vice Chair (with reservation), carried unanimously.

Judith Hower, asked a question to Susan Ellis, if the Univ. of Kentucky has been paid.

Board members reviewed the amount (\$126,000.) that LRC sweep during the month of June '09.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Short, spoke briefly on the website, please review it, if you (BPG) request extra fields to be built please pass them onto Wil, so he can pass them onto (Kentucky Inactive) KI for review/approval. Ms. Short also explained on how the old website will be removed after 30 days. The third item that Ms. Short discussed was the Ethical Training that each board will receive as a result of Executive Order 2008-454 signed by Gov. Beshear, establishing ethical standards for members of policy making boards.

Ms. Short introduced Mr. John Steffen, with the Executive Branch Ethics Commission, Mr. Steffen, gave a brief overview of Executive Order 2008-454, covering the 3 most important parts; Prohibition Against Self-Dealing, Obligation to Disclose & Abstain and Acceptance of Gifts. Each board member received a flyer explaining each section.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Mr. Ryavec-Chair spoke briefly about the upcoming renewal year for PG's (9/30/2009). Mr. Ryavec-Chair introduced Henry Morgan, past board member. Mr. Morgan discussed the need for CE's and who he is working with him at LRC (Robin Webb, Mr. Meeks, Mr. Lee). Mr. Ryavec-Chair, will be drafting letters to Mr. Boswell & Mr. Thompson. Mr. Rhodes-Vice Chair, asked if this action would be completed before the session met in Jan. 2010? Mark Brengelman-Asst. AG for the BRPG, gave a brief overview on how just one sentence needs to be changed. A motion was made by Thomas Ryavec-Chair to move forward with 3 changes to the BRPG regs, seconded by Larry Rhodes-Vice Chair, carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Thomas Ryavec-Chair to have the board approve travel for Mr. Morgan "Honorary Board Member", seconded by Gil Cumbee, carried unanimously.

Mr. Ryavec-Chair, with the approval of the board members attending, Mr. Ryavec-Chair asked that a "Special Board Meeting" be convened on 9/14/2009 @ 12p-3p/EST to discuss/approve the process for "Continuing Education" for Professional Geologists.

## **STATUS REPORT**

**\* No report given.**

## **COMPLAINTS AND OTHER LEGAL MATTERS**

Agency Complaint 09-01 – Ongoing/pending, motion was made by Thomas Ryavec-Chair, to have counsel process this complaint, seconded by Stephen Wyatt.

Agency Complaint 09-02 – Investigate.

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Gil Cumbee, spoke about the first organizational meeting of CE Evaluation Committee. The meeting occurred on 7/31/09, at the office of Mining & Mineral Resource. The following attended: Gil Cumbee, William Andrews KGS, Jim Dinger KGS, Jerry Weisenfluh KGS, John Kiefer KGS, and Richard Smath KGS.

Gil Cumbee, also spoke in reference to the group designing a spreadsheet to have all the information listed with the surrounding states that Kentucky recognize for comity.

The committee's next meeting will be 8/17/09 @ 2pm

Thomas Ryavec-Chair discussed the idea of Mark Brengelman (board attorney) and himself drafting a letter that would go out the LRC committee members. Motion was made by Stephen Wyatt, seconded by Gil Cumbee, carried unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing to report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Thomas Ryavec-Chair, discussed the upcoming national Association of State Boards of Geology, Annual meeting in Birmingham, AL (Nov. 2-7, 2009). A motion was made by Thomas Ryavec, to send (2) board members to the annual meeting (Larry Rhodes & Gil Cumbee), seconded by Stephen Wyatt, carried unanimously.

## **TRAVEL AND PER DIEM**

Thomas Ryavec-Chair made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting, seconded by Gil Cumbee, carried unanimously.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for **September 14, 2009 "Special Meeting"** at the Frankfort office @ 12p-3p/EST.

## **ADJOURN**

Thomas Ryavec- Chair made a motion to adjourn at 4:18pm/EST., having no further items of discussion. The motion, seconded by Larry Rhodes, Vice-Chair, carried unanimously.

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Thomas P. Ryavec