

Nebraska Board of Geologists
Board Meeting Minutes
October 8, 2015
215 Centennial Mall South, Large Conference Room, Lincoln, NE

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held at 215 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Chairperson Martin called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and noted the location of the Open Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star and on the Board's website.

Roll Call: Thomas Correll, Charles Joyce, Martha Link, Ralph Martin, David Svingen;

Absent: Andrew Grimm, Harmon Maher

Link was appointed Secretary for this meeting in Grimm's absence.

Staff Present: Jean Lais, Administrative Assistant (AA); Sandra Weaver, Administrator (AD)

Public Comment/Appointments

No members of the Public were present

A Consent Agenda

Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2015, meeting minutes approved as discussed

Certificates of Authorization Approvals

Approved: Aqua Geo Frameworks LLC - Mitchell, NE; CAG0081

Renewal Disclosures - None

Action Motion by Correll, second by Svingen, to approve the Consent Agenda as discussed. Voting Yes: Joyce, Link, Svingen, Correll, Martin; Voting No: None; Absent: Grimm, Maher

B Committee Reports

Officers Report - None

ASBOG

AA Lais reported that five Fundamentals of Geology candidates and three Practice of Geology candidates sat for the exams on October 2, 2015.

Office/Staff

AA Lais informed the Board that Compliance Officer Mathews has tendered her resignation with the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects (NBEA) effective October 16, 2015. The NBEA is currently working on hiring her replacement.

The NBEA has also accepted the retirement of Jeanne Vliet effective December 1, 2015.

C Old Business

Governance Issues - None

Geologist Items

Website Redesign Discussion – There was no discussion or action taken on this item.

D New Business

Governance Issues

Advisory from Attorney General Peterson regarding the *North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission* Supreme Court Ruling was provided for review.

Geologist Items

NEBOG Annual Report to ASBOG

The members accepted the report as presented by AA Lais to be submitted to ASBOG and included in the Annual Meeting Minutes.

Action Motion by Joyce, second by Link to approve to the NEBOG Annual Report as discussed. Voting Yes: Joyce, Link, Svingen, Correll, Martin; Voting No: None; Absent: Grimm, Maher

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ASBOG 2016 Slate of Officers
ASBOG Proposed Charter and Bylaws Changes
ASBOG Proposed Budgets
ASBOG Proposed Fundamentals of Geology Exam Fee
ASBOG 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes

The members gave direction to Joyce (Voting Delegate) to vote in favor of the above with the option to vote at his discretion if additional information provided at the meeting may alter the information already provided.

Action Motion by Link, second by Correll to direct Joyce to approve the above with the option to vote differently at his discretion if he believe otherwise. Voting Yes: Joyce, Link, Svingen, Correll, Martin; Voting No: None; Absent: Grimm, Maher

Strategic Plan

Discussion was held as to what the other Boards have in the way of Strategic Plans. AA Lais explained while the NBEA has as an extensive plan, the Board of Landscape Architects have a one page plan which is updated on a yearly basis at their regular board meetings. The NBEA plan is based on a two period. They schedule planning meetings every two years which span one to two days to update it. AA Lais will forward copies of the two board's plans and send inquiries to surrounding states to see what other boards have. No action was taken.

E Compliance

New Cases - None

Pending Cases - None

Discussion was held with regards to requesting the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to notify the Board when they receive reports that should be signed and sealed, but are not. Link informed the Board that she is not aware of any requirement in DEQ's Rules and Regulations that require such reports to be sealed when submitted. The only requirement is that many of them be sealed by a professional engineer. CO Mathews was to make initial contact to see if an agreement could be reached. AA Lais will follow up with the contact she had at DEQ. Link will also start inquiring if an agreement could be developed between the two agencies.

F Applications

Core Course Equivalency Chart and Rational for Core Courses was provided for review.

Applications for **Licensure by Reciprocity - None**

Applications for **Licensure by Experience**

Approved: Rick Lee Bean - Topeka, KS

Applications for **Licensure Reinstatement - None**

Applications to sit for the **ASBOG FG Exam - None**

Applications to sit for the **FG/PG ASBOG Exams - None**

Applications to sit for the **PG ASBOG Exam - None**

Action Motion by Svingen, second by Joyce to approve the Applications as reviewed and discussed. Voting Yes: Joyce, Link, Svingen, Correll, Martin; Voting No: None; Absent: Grimm, Maher

AD Weaver entered the meeting at 1:46p

G Financial Matters

Budget Status Report - July, August, September 2015

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MTD General Ledger Detail Report – July, August, September 2015

Fund Summary Report – July, August, September 2015

Financial Profile FY 2015/2016 – July, August, September 2015

AD Weaver reported total expenditures for the first quarter of the fiscal year are at 32.6%. This is mainly due to the payment of the Service Contract with the NBEA, the ASBOG yearly dues, and meeting registrations. Revenue is at 8.9%, but does not include any renewals which are just starting to come in. The Cash Fund is at \$68,496.

Other Financial Matters - None

Action Motion by Link, second by Correll to approve the Financial Matters as discussed.
Voting Yes: Joyce, Link, Svingen, Correll, Martin; Voting No: None; Absent: Grimm, Maher

AD Weaver left the meeting at 1:51p

H General Information

Public Notice publication provided for review

Board meetings and schedule provided for review

Roster of Board members provided for review

Svingen and Link's terms are expiring in 2/2016. Svingen express interest in being reinstated.

Licensing Trends

Trends in Licensure and Fiscal Activity Reports provided for review

Other

Approved Board Policies & Record of Board Action to Change Statutes and Rules & Regulations

Adjournment: Motion by Svingen to adjourn the meeting at 2:00p

The next Board of Geologist board meeting will be held on January 21, 2016, at 1:00pm at 215 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska, fifth floor, large conference room.



Board Member

01/21/2016

Date