

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
ARCHITECTURAL LICENSING BOARD

-MINUTES-

FEBRUARY 17, 2017

The six hundred ninety eighth meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board, held on February 17, 2017, was called to order by Acting Chairman Mr. Robert B. Hurd at 9:03 AM in Hearing Room J., 450 Columbus Boulevard, North Building, Hartford, Connecticut.

Board Members

Present:

David H. Barkin	Board Member, Architect
Carole W. Briggs	Board Member, Public Member
Robert B. Hurd	Board Member, Architect
S. Edward Jeter	Chairman, Architect (participation by telephone)
Pauline S. Morales	Board Member, Public Member

Board Members

Not Present:

None.

Vacancies:

None.

DCP Staff Present:

Robert M. Kuzmich	License/App. Specialist, DCP
Richard M. Hurlburt	Director, DCP

Others Present:

Michelle Seagull,	Deputy Commissioner, DCP
Leslie O'Brien	Manager, DCP
John Neumon	Director, DCP
Jerry Padula	Attorney, DCP
Bruce Spiewak	AIA/CT and himself
Diane Harp Jones	AIA/CT

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions, and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information, contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, at (860) 713-6135 or Fax (860) 706-1202.

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1. Review of minutes of the November 4, 2016 Architectural Licensing Board Meeting.

The Board approved the minutes as submitted. (Briggs/Barkin)

2. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today.

2A. Ms. Harp Jones stated that she encountered technical problems with the Department's licensing verification website. She has tried to communicate this issue through the Department's e-mail address. Deputy Commissioner Seagull and Board Member David Barkin offered to assist Ms. Jones after today's meeting

3. Old Business

3A. Update to be provided from Mr. Jerry Padula, Attorney for the Department of Consumer Protection, regarding proposed changes to the Regulation concerning examination eligibility relative to A.R.E. Candidates sitting for the examination prior to their completion of NCARB's Intern Development Program requirements.

Ms. Leslie O'Brien, Legislative Director for the Department addressed the Board. She stated that the Department has incorporated the Board's feedback into their draft. This revised document is now with the Office of Policy and Management and the Governor's Office. The estimated timeframe for their review should be within the next month or so.

Ms. O'Brien noted that the review of the regulations goes from the Office of Policy and Management to the Governor's Office and then to the office of the Attorney General for their review. A public hearing will be held prior to the review by the Attorney general's Office with a 30 day period observed for public comment. Upon sign off by the Attorney General's Office, the regulation s goes to the Office of Regulations Review for their comment.

Ms. Briggs asked if the Board could get a copy of the latest revised draft for their review. The Board would like to address this regulation change at their upcoming regional meeting of the New England Council of Architectural Registration Boards. Ms. O'Brien will e-mail this document to Mr. Kuzmich for distribution to the Board. Ms. O'Brien estimates this review process to be complete within the next few months.

3B. Update from Mr. David Barkin regarding application from Mr. Jason A. Davis for consideration by the Board to sit for the Architect Registration Examination. The Board voted to accept the recommendation of Mr. Barkin and approve the application of Mr. Jason A. Davis to sit for the Architectural Registration Examination. (Barkin/Jeter) It is noted that Mr. Barkin abstained from the vote.

3C. Update from Mr. S. Edward Jeter regarding application from Mr. Michael E. Duane for consideration by the Board to sit for the Architect Registration Examination. The Board voted to accept the recommendation of Mr. Jeter and not approve the application of Mr. Michael E. Duane to sit for the Architectural Registration Examination. (Briggs/Morales) It is noted that Mr. Jeter abstained from the vote.

3D. Inquiry from AIA/CT regarding posting a reference on the DCP website pertaining to candidates studying for the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Kuzmich stated that the Department cannot post this reference on their website because this entity is not regulated by the Department. The possibility of posting a link to the NCARB website, which lists study guide references for A.R.E candidates to assist them in their examination preparation, was discussed since the State is a member of the NCARB.

3E. Update regarding the Mutual Recognition Arrangement between the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and the Architects Accreditation Council of Australia and the New Zealand Registered Architects Board. It was noted that this agreement was signed by the Board Chairman on November 17, 2016.

4. New Business

4A. The following candidates have passed the Architect Registration Examination and are recommended by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as Architects in the State of Connecticut; the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following individuals for licensing as architects in Connecticut and offered their sincere congratulations on achieving this professional milestone. (Briggs/Barkin)

1. Collin R. Anderson
2. Lori L. Donadio
3. Frank P. Giordano
4. Alan B. Harris, Jr.
5. Dorota Sanczenko
6. Justin Towart
7. Steven B. Zullo

4B. Applications for licensing by waiver of examination; the following individuals were approved under Section 21a-8 of the General Statutes by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut on the basis of waiver of examination with an NCARB Certificate Record or by Direct Endorsement; the Board acknowledged the Department's actions on the below listed applications.

1	Army, Eric R.	Waiver of Examination; Rhode Island	(NCARB File No. 129223)
2	Berman, Andrew D.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 822853)
3	Broadbent, Scott J.	Waiver of Examination; Missouri	(NCARB File No. 220413)
4	Davenport, Eric	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 85853)
5	DeGregorio, Jeffrey H.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 83154)
6	Eisen, Jonathan B.	Waiver of Examination; Virginia	(NCARB File No. 120381)
7	Ellman, Howard S.	Waiver of Examination; Michigan	(NCARB File No. 127078)
8	Franey, Stephen R.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 64885)
9	Gluck, Peter L.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 22883)
10	Gould, Eric R.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 691192)
11	Kimmerle, William J.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 256153)
12	Krajewski, Matthew G.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 116105)
13	Lee, Mark D.	Waiver of Examination; Maine	(NCARB File No. 79361)
14	McCormac, John A.	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 40346)
15	Molnar, Kevin E.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 79380)
16	Moore, David J.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 143705)
17	Oberlander, R. Allan	Waiver of Examination; Iowa	(NCARB File No. 26439)
18	O'Malia, Matthew	Waiver of Examination; Maine	(NCARB File No. 102304)
19	Oraedu, Okey	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
20	Petrosky, Andrew J.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 300033)
21	Pilko, Michael J.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 76640)
22	Plouffe, Joseph R.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 102821)
23	Powell, William M.	Waiver of Examination; Kentucky	(NCARB File No. 78350)
24	Ruff, David S.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 191853)
25	Schamu, Walter G.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 20092)
26	Schmidheiser, George L.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 131504)
27	Schneider, Joseph A.	Waiver of Examination; Wisconsin	(NCARB File No. 121905)
28	Schuster, Robert E.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 46784)
29	Schwartz, Neil	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 135533)
30	Sedam, Jared	Waiver of Examination; Rhode Island	(NCARB File No. 256793)
31	Shapiro, Irving L.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 22739)
32	Sirk, Daniel J.	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 62541)
33	Slampiak, Constance M. G.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 134056)
34	Swords, Maurice J.	Waiver of Examination; Missouri	(NCARB File No. 51245)
35	Tyler, Jaclyn A.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 123554)
36	Visanti, Vincent F.	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
37	Walker, William J.	Waiver of Examination; Rhode Island	(NCARB File No. 58097)
38	Wehner, Peter R.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 105006)
39	Wong, Young Ming	Waiver of Examination; California	Direct
40	Wray, Serena C.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 118577)

4C. Applications for the Corporate Practice of Architecture; the Department approved the following applications under Section 21a-8 of the General Statutes; the Board acknowledged the Department's actions on the below listed applications.

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| 1. | DMS Design LLC
100 Cummings Center, Suite 399C
Beverly, Massachusetts 01915 | Daniel M. Skolski
Connecticut Lic. No. 12101 |
| 2. | Beyer Blinder Belle, Architects
and Planners, LLP
120 Broadway, 20 th Floor
New York, New York 10271 | Frederick A. Bland, Managing Partner
Connecticut Lic. No. 6905 |
| 3. | Harrison Design Associates, Inc.
3198 Cains Hill Place NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30305 | William Harrison
Connecticut Lic. No. 10925 |
| 4. | Peter Pennoyer Architects, P.C.
136 Madison Avenue, Floor 11
New York, New York 10016 | Peter Pennoyer
Connecticut Lic. No. 12077 |
| 5. | Matthew R. Dougherty Architect, LLC
27 Pine Street – Suite 500
New Canaan, Connecticut 06840 | Matthew R. Dougherty, Member
Connecticut Lic. No. 10973 |

The Board voted to add the following application for the Joint Corporate Practice of Architecture and Engineering to their meeting agenda today:

AEPM International LLC
Main Street
Bridgeport, Connecticut

The Board voted unanimously to approve this application. (Briggs/Jeter)

4D. DCP Occupational Enforcement Unit Complaint Status Report; review of complaint report submitted by the DCP Occupational Enforcement Unit including open, closed, and dismissed cases.

Deputy Commissioner Michelle Seagull introduced Mr. John Neumon to the Board as the replacement for Ted Doolittle who left the Department to become the State's Healthcare Advocate. Mr. Neumon is the Department's Frauds Division Director and is an attorney. He is also well versed in the Department's credential management system and has a strong investigative background.

Mr. Neumon addressed the Board noting that he been with the Department since September of 2012. He noted that the Department has combined home improvement and occupational/professional enforcement into one Division. He reviewed with the

Board some brief highlights of the Department's complaint investigation and processing procedures.

Mr. Hurd expressed the Board's ongoing concern with complaint tracking as it relates to past complaints and their current status in addition to current complaints the Department is currently working on. The Board noted that they do not want the information on the identity of the person(s) being investigated which has been on past reports presented to the Board.

In response to a question from Ms. Harp Jones, Mr. Neumon explained the Department's complaint investigation process by detailing the path an e-mail or letter follows upon being received by the Department.

The Board thanked Mr. Neumon for his time with them today and looks forward to working with him in the future.

4E. Any correspondence and/or business received in the interim.

1. Ms. Briggs noted an item that has come up relating to the upcoming regional NECARB Meeting in March 2016 in Jersey City, New Jersey. In December of 2016, the Massachusetts Board changed their Board Member reimbursement policy pertaining to their attendance at regional meetings which created a problem for one of their members in particular. This lead to a discussion of whether or not attendance at these meetings is allowed remotely by telephone or other long distance media.

The potential of remote attendance (which came about as a result of this presumably one-time glitch in Massachusetts) lead to discussion about some states using this as a springboard to potentially not allow any of their Board Members to attend any future meetings in-person. Ms. Briggs noted that this action would be a genuine disadvantage to the Regional Board and may not be in their best interest and further diminish the effectiveness of future Regional/National Meetings. Ms. Briggs brings this to the attention of the Board today for their awareness and for any comment(s) they may have. Advantages and disadvantages of remote electronic meeting participation were discussed by the Board. Mr. Hurd confirmed that this topic will be on the upcoming Regional Meeting Agenda giving our Board adequate time to further discuss this matter.

2. Ms. Morales noted that she is having issues with accessing NCARB's Board Members-only Section. Mr. Kuzmich will notify NCARB that she is having problems getting her log-in information confirmed and have them contact her.

5. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today.

1. Ms. Briggs asked the Board for their endorsement for her candidacy for Regional Director; the election for which will be in March of 2017. She would like to get more

involved at the national level and bring her perspective, on behalf of Region 1, to the National Board.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07AM. (Briggs/Barkin) The next regular meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board is scheduled for Friday, April 21, 2017 at 9:00 AM; 450 Columbus Boulevard, North Building, Hearing Room J, Hartford, Connecticut 06103.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.
Board Administrator

Upcoming Architectural Licensing Board Meeting Dates:

1. April 21, 2017
2. June 16, 2017
3. August 18, 2017
4. October 20, 2017
5. December 15, 2017