



Attendance

Board Members: T. Ryan, L. Fish, J. Stone, D. Kittredge

Others in attendance: Russell Wilmot, Emily Boss

Minutes of previous meeting

The chair referred members to the minutes of the September 27, 2011 meeting and requested comments or corrections prior to their approval. *A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of members present.*

Public Inquiry

FLB welcomes Russell Wilmot who has been chosen to take over the role as secretary of the Forester Licensing Board. FLB expressed sincere gratitude for his willingness to take on secretarial duties. Russell is an ALB Program Forester for DCR, but does not currently hold a license; concerns expressed as to legality of Russell being a voting board member. Discussion of pursuing another licensed forester employed by government to hold the voting government representative seat on the FLB. Janice Stone offered to step down from her role as representative of 61 landowners, because she is currently overcommitted. Board acknowledged that this could provide Russell the opportunity to become a voting member (4 of 5 board members need to have qualifications of a forester) and that the FLB would need to announce a board vacancy for a Ch. 61 landowner representative that has the qualifications of a forester.

Emily Boss of the Franklin Land Trust has expressed interest in filling the FLB's vacancy for a representative of environmental organization and stated that she is in communication with Peter Church, DCR's Director of Forest Stewardship.

New Applications

Reviewed and approved by the majority of the board present the new application packages submitted by:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MLF#
Holland	Kyle	412

0 New applicants sent request for more information.

Renewal Applications



LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MLF#
Carlson	Joel	326
Gregory	Paul	403
Grantham	Rupert	371

1 Renewal applicant sent request for more information

Expired Licenses

Notify Director to issue notice to following individuals:

None

License Complaints

0 New complaints.

Other Business

- **Priscilla Geigis, Director of the Division of State Parks and Recreation announced that Peter Church, Director of Forest Stewardship is her designee with respect to all matters involving the Forester Licensing Board. See attached letter.**
- **Discussion of SAF CF policy**
 - **FLB determined that SAF has improved its auditing standards for the Certified Forester (CF) Program and will again accept a current CF status for license renewal applications in lieu of providing supporting documentation for each and every desired CFE credit. (DK disclosure of conflict and abstention from vote as he is a current CF)**
 - **FLB determined that an SAF CF meets the current standards for a new license application. Therefore new license applicants that are an SAF CF are not required to provide further supporting documentation of professional experience or certified transcripts of educational background. (DK disclosure of conflict and abstention from vote as he is a current CF)**
- **CFE accreditation**
 - **S. Sylvester letter expressing support of CFE accreditation of BIG E Booth. Board acknowledge that this has been discussed at length but stands that this event does not meet CFE standards as the format is too free form, does not have an agenda or audience that signs up for participation. Secretary informed FLB that he has been deferring people to seek accreditation from SAF.**
- **Review updated directory and license confirmation list for errors.**

Next Meeting to be at Holdsworth Hall, UMass Amherst on:
January 18, 2012 from 6PM to 9PM

Meeting Adjourned

Cc: Peter Church



November 9, 2011

Forester Licensing Board
P.O. Box 1433
Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01202

Re: Designee

Dear Members of Forester Licensing Board:

Effective upon the date of this letter, Peter Church, Director of Forest Stewardship, is my designee with respect to all matters involving the Forester Licensing Board, under regulations promulgated at 302 CMR 14.00. These matters include the following:

- Appointment of members of FLB (302 CMR 14.03(1))
- Receive FLB recommendations on those applicants qualified (and not qualified) to receive Forester Licenses (302 CMR 14.03(3))
- Approve meeting times/places (302 CMR 14.03(4))
- Receive applications for Forester Licenses (302 CMR 14.04(3)(a))
- Approve or deny license applications (302 CMR 14.04(3)(b))
- Decide on appeals of license denials (302 CMR 14.04(3))
- Receive applications for renewal of Forester Licenses (302 CMR 14.04(6)(a))
- Waive CFE requirement on case-by-case basis (302 CMR 14.04(6)(c))
- Revoke/suspend Forester Licenses (302 CMR 14.05)

Thank you for your service, and for your attention.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Geigis
Director, Division of State Parks and Recreation

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS · EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Department of Conservation and Recreation
251 Causeway Street, Suite 600
Boston MA 02114-2119
617-626-1250 617-626-1351 Fax
www.mass.gov/dcr



Deval L. Patrick
Governor

Timothy P. Murray
Lt. Governor

Richard K. Sullivan Jr., Secretary
Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Edward M. Lambert Jr., Commissioner
Department of Conservation & Recreation