

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF ARCHITECTS**

MINUTES OF THE MAY 18, 2016 OPEN PUBLIC MEETING

**A regularly scheduled open public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of
Registration of Architects ("the Board") was held on May 18, 2016 at
1000 Washington Street, Room 1D, Boston, MA.**

Board Members Present:

John F. Miller, Chair (Via Telephone)
Stephen Schreiber, Member
Margo Jones, Member (Via Telephone)
Diane Georgopoulos, Member
Carl M. Sapers, Public Member

Members of the Public:

John Nunnari, AIA/MA
Abbie Goodman, ACEC/MA
Joseph Gesker, Donovan Hatem

DPL Staff Present at various times during the meeting:

Clinton Dick, Executive Director
Charles Kilb, Legal Counsel
Eric Funk, Licensure Specialist

1. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by S. Schreiber in his capacity as acting Chair.

**2. Topic: Board Review and Acceptance of the March 30, 2016 Open Public
Session meeting minutes.**

Discussion:

Draft Minutes of the March 30, 2016 Open Public Session meeting were reviewed.

Action:

A motion was made by J. Miller, seconded by C. Sapers, to accept the March 30, 2016 Open Public Session meeting minutes. Roll call votes were 5-0 for acceptance. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Topic: NCARB Annual Business Meeting

Discussion:

Possible Amendment to Resolution 2016-2 was discussed at length.

S. Schreiber reviewed the proposed revisions to the education requirement (section A.1), also known as the "BEA resolution." S. Schreiber stated that the proposed revisions include easier access to NCARB certification regardless of NAAB degree; expedited BEA program; addition of more detailed language to section 2 of the

Certification Guidelines. S. Schreiber stated that he feels strongly that additional changes are necessary because some of the proposed subject matter changes are not NAAB degree related. S. Schreiber proposes that a vote of No (vote to oppose) be put forth by the Chair at the meeting.

D. Georgopoulos stated that the vagueness of the language in section A.1 is problematic. She recommended that the Board request a more specific list of topics considered architect related be provided.

S. Schreiber stated that based on the language in the proposal it is unclear if a Civil Engineering degree would count as architect related.

J. Miller stated that he does not believe that it would count.

C. Sapers stated that the Board must protect the public not make it easier to become licensed as an architect.

M. Jones stated that the impetus of doing away with the BEA process is that it is subject to litigation; it's costly; and this is just an attempt to make it mechanistic. She suggested that NACRB has an interest in making it easier to become a licensed architect because of the economic factor.

D. Georgopoulos stated that having tiers within the profession that NCARB should look at as qualifying standards for membership. Having one credential for individuals with a NAAB degree and another credential for individuals without a NAAB degree is not the answer.

S. Schreiber stated that the cost of the BEA program is an issue that should be considered as there are other ways to save applicants money.

Action:

A motion was made by C. Sapers, seconded by D. Georgopoulos, to refer section A.1 back to the Board of Directors for better definition. The Board voted 5-0 to oppose section A.1 because "architecture related" is not clearly defined and it is not clear who will make the determination as to what is considered "architecture related."

Discussion:

Resolution 2016-2, section A.2, which deals with streamlining the EESA process through e-portfolios was discussed and the Board supported the resolution.

Discussion:

Resolution 2016-10 was reviewed and discussed.

M. Jones stated that all jurisdictions should be allowed ample time to review and provide input on major issues prior to a vote. There is a need for the process to be transparent and participatory.

D. Georgopoulos asked if there are guidelines for the resolutions and if NCARB was following them.

J. Miller stated that each jurisdiction has a vote and each region has a vote and a voice and he is not sure why this is even a resolution.

S. Schreiber stated that he believes that NCARB is following the guidelines but as a majority vote is required, there will be unhappy jurisdictions and individuals.

Action:

A motion was made by M. Jones, seconded by J. Miller, to oppose the resolution and to direct the delegate to vote no at the meeting. The motion to oppose was approved by a vote of 4-1 with D. Georgopoulos voting against.

Discussion:

Resolution 2016-5: Access to the ARE for Students Enrolled in an Integrated Path to Architectural Licensure Option was discussed.

M. Jones stated that she is not in favor of the whole program.

D. Georgopoulos asked if this was really best practice. She further asked what the benefit was for accelerating the program and if this benefits the public. She does not believe it does.

C. Sapers raised the question of the surplus money generated by the program and how it was being used. He stated that the money should be designated towards architecture programs.

S. Schreiber stated that he believe that this is mission creep and would like to see a no vote by the Board. He further stated that regardless of the outcome, the proposed MA regulations allow us to make up our own minds.

Action:

A motion was made by C. Sapers, seconded by M. Jones, to vote no. The motion to vote oppose was approved by a vote of 4-1 with J. Miller voting against.

Action:

A motion was made by S. Schreiber, seconded by M. Jones, to give J. Miller, Chair, the authority to vote as he sees fit as long as he understands the concerns of the other Board members. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Topic: Reinstatement Applications

Applications reviewed by the Board:

- Antonio Colosimo, License #8465
- Kyomin Lee, License #20589

- Matthew Leiner, License #31121
- Frank Malek, License #30230
- K. Thomas Montgomery, License #30701

Action:

A motion was made by S. Schreiber to accept the applications of M. Lee and K.T. Montgomery and to direct the others to resubmit complete applications. C. Sapers seconded the motion. Motion passed with a vote of 3-0 with J. Miller and M. Jones abstaining.

5. Topic: Reciprocity Applications

Discussion:

Applications reviewed by the Board:

- Shawn M. Anderson

Action:

A motion was made by C. Sapers to accept the application. D. Georgopoulos seconded. Motion passed with a vote of 3-0 with J. Miller and M. Jones abstaining.

6. Topic: Miscellaneous

Discussion:

There were no miscellaneous items.

7. Topic: Items not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair

Discussion:

There were no items discussed.

8. Topic: Closed Investigative Conference

Action:

At 11:06 AM, C. Sapers moved, seconded by D. Georgopoulos, to suspend the public meeting and enter into closed investigative session under G.L. c. 112, § 65C to discuss investigative matters. Motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

D. Georgopoulos moved to return to Open Session at 11:20 AM. The motion was seconded by C. Sapers and passed 5-0. Public Session resumed at 11:20 AM.

Report of actions taken in Investigative Conference:

- AR-16-024: Forward to the Office of Prosecutions

9. Topic: Board Staff Review the attached list of Applications for First Time Candidates:

Action:

The Board was provided a list (attached as Item A) of applicants for 1st Time Licensure who received licenses. No formal action required by Board.

10. Topic: Board Review the attached list of Applications for Reciprocity:

Action:

The Board was provided a list (attached as Item B) of applicants for Reciprocity who received licenses. No formal action required by Board.

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by D. Georgopoulos to adjourn. C. Sapers seconded. Motion passed with a vote of 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Funk
Licensure Specialist

Documents Used at the public session of the Board Meeting

- Draft Minutes of the March 30, 2016 Open Public Session meeting

Item A: List of Applicants for 1st Time Licensure who received licenses.

New		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
Xiaoying		Chen
Daniel	P	Connolly
Suni	I	Dillard
Ian	M	Doherty
Timberly	J	Hund
Benjamin	A	Ives
Daniel	J	Kelliher
Ruth	M	Kuhlman
Blaise	A	LaPorta
Chen		Li
Kelly	H	Lwu
Christopher	A	Nielson
Timothy	R	Olson
Mackenzie	E	Pratt

New		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
Heather	AT	Rivera
Timothy	M	Talun
Aaron	M	Weller
Samuel	L	Williams
Duo		Yu
Jim		Chen
Jonathan	A	Lashley
Gregory	S	Milne
Melissa	M	Murphy
Michael	T	Proscia
Rafal		Toczko
Stephen	J	Banning
Justin	M	Hui
Justin	T	Kearnan
Alexander	M	Parulis
David	R	Strumski

Item B: List of Applicants for Reciprocity Licensure who received licenses.

Reciprocity		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
Christopher	D	Adams
John	A	Baer
Bradley	J	Bartholomew
Stephen		Berry
Michael	J	Bianchi
James	C	Bradberry
Matthew	R	Broderick
Richard	R	Brown
Jason	A	Chambers
Erik		Fong
Richard	N	Gordon
Daniel	S	LaMontagne
Chao-Chiung		Lee

Reciprocity		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
Ronald	D	Millett
Timothy	M	O'Neill
Jan	C	Russell
Sean	L	Schmigle
Andrew		Skurman
Rebecca	R	Stone
Stephen	J	Sullivan
Michael	J	Tague
Jon	G	Tankersley
Sarah	E	Tocci
Daniel	W	Winey
Joseph	A	Zebleckes
Christopher	J	Biggers
Paul	B	Brown
Jason	W	Boehner
Steven	G	Ewoldt
Kelly	M	Farrell
Dennis	G	Gaffney
Manuel	G	Gonzalez
Kenneth	M	Knevel
Robert	J	Kornfeld, Jr.
Grant	D	Reginato
Michael	A	Sorano