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Forester Licensing Board
Minutes October 29th, 2025
DCR – Online Teams Meeting

Forester License Board Meeting – October 29, 2025

Meeting Opened: 4:00 P.M. Online Teams Meeting

Attendance:

- Board Members: C. Mettey, D. Orwig, J. Parrot, J. Rapp, A. Brown
- Public: Adam Burnett, Jacob Seidel, Michael Redante

Public Inquiry:

- None

Minutes of previous meeting:

C. Mettey referred members to the minutes of August 27, 2025, meeting and requested comments or corrections prior to their approval. A motion was made (CM) and seconded (AB) to accept the August 27, 2025, minutes. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of the voting members present.

New Applications:

To Review and recommend by the board to the director the new application package(s) submitted by:

- Benjamin Balet - Recommended to the director for approval, assigned license number 486.
- Adam W. Burnett - Requires examples of forestry work experience of a professional nature within the last three years.
- Michael Redante - Recommended to the director for approval, assigned license number 487.
- Jacob Seidel - Recommended to the director for approval, assigned license number 488.

Renewal Applications:

The following applications were reviewed and recommended to the director for license renewal (review Table 1).

Table 1- Renewal Applications Approved at October Meeting

MFL#	First Name	Last Name	Expire Date	2025 Cat I	2025 Total	2025 Cat I 3-Year Average	2025 Total 3-Year Average
410	Emily	Boss	9/27/2026	13	25	16.33	27.33
427	Christopher	Capone	10/15/2026	24	27	21.83	31.17
456	Tobias	Carter	10/22/2026	31.5	35.5	21.17	25
59	Donald	DuBois	9/25/2026	18	27	14.83	21.67
423	Michael	Gieryk	11/13/2026	32.5	32.5	24.08	24.42
403	Paul	Gregory	11/19/2026	29	30	27	35.67
400	Andrew	Hubbard	9/23/2026	16.25	28.25	21.92	32.08
458	Colin	Mettey	10/22/2026	28	35	25.08	30.58
389	Adam	Moore	10/9/2026	23.5	33	27.67	35.83
171	Kimball	Moore	10/12/2026	13.25	23.25	15.5	23.83
465	Joshua	Rapp	10/13/2026	18	34.5	18.83	29

Note: JP and AB were the second initials for applicants

A motion was made (JP) and seconded (AB) to recommend the Renewal license applications to the director. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of members present.

Licenses Not approved for Renewal / Request more information:

- None

Expired/Non-Renewed Licenses – Send Letter

- None

Foresters who have Retired/Non-Renew (currently within 60-day grace period):

- Joseph Hansen

Complaints

- None

Other Business

- Discussion on potential retirement letter for retired foresters
 - Considered detailing in the letter how many years they served the commonwealth
 - J. Parrot proposed the possibility of creating a certificate in addition to a letter for retired forester.
 - J. Parrot also suggested giving retired foresters a gift such as a cutting board
- Next meeting is planned for 4:00PM December 10th, 2025, this will be online only.

Next Meeting will be online; login instruction will be posted on the agenda.

Wednesday December 10th, 2025, 4:00PM - Online Meeting via Teams

Meeting Adjourned at 4:41PM (A motion was made (JP) and seconded (CM) with unanimous approval)

Cc: Peter Church

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