

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS
Public Session Agenda
January 10, 2008

I CALL TO ORDER

II OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

III APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 13, 2007

IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:30am - Investigative inquiries are scheduled pertaining to ITEM NO. 52820.

V OLD BUSINESS

A Petition for Rule-making

Letter dated September 4, 2007 from Lawrence Powers, Esq. of Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas LLP regarding a Petition for Rulemaking - N.J.A.C. 13:27-3.1; N.J.A.C. 13:27-9.2; N.J.A.C. 13:27-9.4 from the AIA New Jersey. On September 13, 2007, Patricia Schiripo, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs was present to discuss this issue with the Board. DAG outlined the process when a board receives a petition for rulemaking. The Board has sixty (60) days to determine if they would grant the petition, deny the petition or request an extension to further review the petition. DAG Albertson apprised the Board that the Petition for Rulemaking requests the Board to define certain terms that are not currently defined and that the NAAB Accredited degree be considered substantially equivalent to the education requirement for Certified Interior Designers. It was determined to establish a committee, consisting of two Registered Architects and two Certified Interior Designers to review the petition and determine any action to be taken if necessary. Messrs. DeMassi and Zaccone will represent the Architects and Ms. Got' and another member of the Interior Design Committee will meet to discuss the petition. The first meeting of this committee was held on Thursday, September 27, 2007 after the Architects board meeting. The Committee determined to obtain further info in preparation of discussing definitions of terms to be defined and the issue of NAAB degree equivalency. On October 25, 2007, Mr. DeMassi motioned to file an extension of 90 days to respond to the petition inasmuch as information is still be gathered to make a determination. Ms. Got' seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved. It was determined to schedule meetings with the petitioner and other entities that could provide the sub-committee with additional information in its decision on the petition. On November 8, sub-committee members met after the conclusion of the Architects meeting today to develop questions for the December 11, 2007 meeting with the petitioner and other parties of interest. Invitation letters have been sent for the scheduled December 11, 2007 meeting with the Lawrence Powers, Esq, AIA-NJ and representatives from NCIDQ, CIDA, ASID, IIDA were also invited to provide the Interior Design Committee with information. On December 11th, the sub-committee met at 10am with Lawrence Powers, Esq., Richard W. Gaeckle, Esq., and Jerome Eben, President of NJ-AIA were present to discuss the intent behind their request for the petition. At 1pm, representatives from the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Linda L. Potter, CID; Sharon L. Weiner, Esq.; Caren Martin, PhD ASID; Jim Lothrop, Jr.; Diane Boyer, CID; Judith Fosshage, CID; and Alan M. Siegel, Esq. were present to discuss their opposition to the petition. The members of the sub-committee thanked everyone for coming in and making their respective presentations. The committee members will consider all this information at a future meeting and provide a full report to the Board.

1/10/08 Copy of a December 12, 2007 letter from Judith Fosshage, of the NJ Coalition for Interior Design Legislation, thanking the members of the committee for meeting with them is attached for Board's information.

B Potential change to existing regulations

On September 13, 2007, the Board reviewed the NCARB Fast Facts dated July 27, 2007 which announced various items including MBE on the NCARB Board - Nominations Open; Message from the Treasurer; Member Board Chairs conference; 2007 Member Board Executive workshop; New ARE and IDP e-news; ARE 4.0 Transition Charts. Patricia Schiripo, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs met with the Board to discuss the issue that NCARB has changed the ARE exam from a nine-part exam to a seven-part exam and if a rule change is necessary. The Board's concern is with its statute N.J.S.A. 45:3-5.1 and regulation N.J.A.C. 13:27-4.4 which contains language for professional engineers taking certain sections of the ARE to become NJ licensed architects. With the change to the exam (4.0 version), it appears that professional engineers may have to take all sections of the new ARE. The Board would like to amend its regulations noting the change to the ARE and request Ms. Schiripo prepare draft for review and discussion at the October or November meetings. On December 13th, the Board reviewed a copy of the transition chart and the Board's statute N.J.S.A. 45:3-5.1 and regulation N.J.A.C. 13:27-4.4 pertaining to professional engineers successfully passing certain sections of the ARE to become NJ licensed architects. After much discussion, it was determined to send a letter to all ARE applicants including licensed engineers currently approved to take the ARE (pipeline applicants) and those who have an open application (incomplete applications) notifying of NCARB's transition from the 3.1 to 4.0 ARE. Mr. DeMassi motioned to accept NCARB's transition from the 3.1 to 4.0 ARE. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. Mr. DeMassi motioned to prepare in addition to proposed regulations, a Public Notice in the New Jersey Register regarding a change to N.J.A.C. 13:27-4.4 Eligibility of licensed professional engineer for licensure as an architect complying with the NCARB transition from ARE 3.1 to ARE 4.0 according to N.J.S.A. 45:3-5.1. Mr. Horii seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

1/10/08 Copy of the Notice of Change in Architect Registration Examination from version 3.1 to version 4.0 is attached for Board's information.

C Joint Committee

Copy of a letter dated November 26, 2007 from Jordan Rosenberg, RA, pertaining to the building inspector in Garfield, New Jersey denied Mr. Rosenberg's plan for a retaining wall is attached for Committee's review. This matter was reviewed at the Joint Committee meeting on December 4 whereby the Committee determined to send a letter to Mr. Rosenberg advising him that both architects and professional engineers are permitted to design retaining walls, and that the Committee would like documentation as to reasons behind the Garfield municipality denying his application. On December 13, the board was advised that a letter has been sent to Mr. Rosenberg advising that New Jersey licensed Architects and Professional Engineers are permitted to design retaining walls and requesting that he provide documentation from the construction official as to denial of your permit application as well as the status of the project. The Joint Committee is awaiting a possible response.

1/10/08 Copies of the Joint Committee's letter to Mr. Rosenberg as well as the memo to the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors advising the committee's action in this matter is attached for board information.

VI NEW BUSINESS

A. Information

1 NCARB News Clips dated December 11, 2007 announcing that NCARB Awards Grants to Pratt Institute and the University of New Mexico is attached for Board's information.

2 NCARB Fast Facts dated December 20, 2007 outlining certain items pertaining to ARE Early Eligibility Contacts; Green Cover Transmittals; ARE Study Guides; and Member Board Member Roster reminder is attached for Board's information.

3 Copy of a letter dated January 3, 2008 from Jeffrey Huberman, NCARB's 2nd Vice President, summarizing activities to date and discusses several upcoming issues is attached for Board's information.

B. Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee

November 7, 2007 minutes

VII REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

A. Applications for Licensure by Credentials

The following individuals have applied for licensure by credentials, have met board requirements and are recommended for licensure:

- NCARB Council Record Holder

1 - Cicchetti, James J. Jr.* Ddley, Bradford L.* Holzheimer, Jon D.*

2 - Gatzke, Robert K. Paruta, Jack L. Berei, Jeff W.

3 - Vahedi, Hossein V.* Castrovallari, Frank M.*

4 - Piper, Roger K.* White, Frisco* Sullivan, Timothy A*

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3 - Malmin, Larry C.

B. Applications for Examination

The following applicant/s applied for admission to the Architectural Registration Examination and are recommended by staff:

1 - Jesper B. Ryberg

2 - Benjamin J. Petrick - On December 13, the Board unanimously voted to deny Mr. Petrick inasmuch as he has not met the required 3 years in the IDP program.

C Certificate/s of Authorization

1 FRANCISCAUFFAMAN, INC. Architecture

2120 Arch Street

Philadelphia PA 19103

Responsible Architect: Anthony J. Colciaghi - License #AI014375

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by two New Jersey architects who own 66.66% of the shares in business with an unlicensed individual who owns 33.33% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

2 URBAN DESIGN WORKSHOP, LLC Architecture

One Aspen Court

Wayside NJ 07712-3491

Responsible Architect: Antonio Aiello - License #AI017504

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey architect who owns 100% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

VIII PUBLIC COMMENTS

IX EXECUTIVE SESSION

X NEXT MEETINGS

January 24, 2008 Regular Meeting
Union Room - 3rd Floor

February 14, 2008 Regular Meeting
Union Room - 3rd Floor

XI ADJOURNMENT