

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

February 8, 2007

Public Session

Minutes

**I CALL TO ORDER**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:35 am in the Union Conference Room on the third (3rd) floor at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

PARTICIPANTS	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
President Albert Zaccone, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Vice President Janice M. Mintz	( )	( )	(X)
Public Member			
Board Member Paul DeMassi, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Alex Garcia, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Diane GoteL, CID	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Howard Horii, RA	( )	( )	(X)
Board Member Bernard Kellenyi, RA	( )	( )	(X)
Board Member Frederick Kniesler, CLA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Vacant - Architect Member			
Board Member Vacant - Government Member			
Board Member Vacant - Public Member			

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; James S. Hsu, Executive Director, Board of Architects; Margaret Hinkley, Secretary to Executive Director and staff member Joseph Abello of the Board of Architects.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Antonio Aiello.

**II OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The statement required by Chapter 231, public laws of 1975, the "Open Public Meetings Act," was read and it was announced that notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board of Architects and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Newark Star-Ledger, the Trenton Times, the Camden Courier-Post, the Record and the Atlantic City Press.

**III APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

January 25, 2007

**ACTION:** Mr. DeMassi motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. GoteL seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**IV ANNOUNCEMENTS**

It was announced that there is an investigative inquiry scheduled with respondent pertaining to ITEM No. 47921 at 10:30 am today.

**V OLD BUSINESS**

1 Bayonne Housing Authority Recused: P. DeMassi

On October 12, 2006, the Board reviewed a letter dated September 26, 2006 from Charles Collins regarding the Bayonne Housing Authority and compliance with N.J.S.A. 45:4b-7 the Building Design Services Act. Subsequent to reviewing Mr. Collinsf letter, the Board determined to obtain a copy of the RFP for this project to determine if there is substance to Mr. Collinsf claims. On November 9th, the Board reviewed a copy of the public notice as well as the request for proposals (RFP) information is attached for Board review and discussion. Mr. DeMassi recused himself in this matter due his firm currently having projects with the Bayonne Housing Authority. Subsequent to review of the information and discussion, the Board determined to obtain additional information from the Bayonne Housing Authority, specifically based on the information in the public notice the Bayonne Housing Authority was seeking proposals for three high rise apartment buildings from architectural/engineering firms, did the firm who was awarded the project meet this qualification? What is the name of the firm? and who is the architect of record? Further advise that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:4B residential projects are to be designed by architects only. On January 11, 2007, the Board of Architects reviewed a response letter dated December 14, 2006 from John T. Mahon, Executive Director, Housing Authority of the City of Bayonne. After some discussion, Ms. Mintz motioned to request additional information including construction documents, which outlines what was required and what was provided on the project. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. On January 23, 2007, a letter was mailed to Mr. Mahon at the Bayonne Housing Authority requesting additional information. His response is due February 5, 2007.

2/8/07 Copy of a January 24, 2007, letter from Paul Fader, attorney for Schoor DePalma, regarding the structural repair contract awarded by the City of Bayonne Housing Authority to Schoor DePalma Inc. is attached for board review.

**ACTION:** This matter was forwarded to the Joint Committee for action.

## **VI NEW BUSINESS**

### **A Correspondence**

1 Letter dated January 16, 2007 from Jerome Eben regarding the ARE timing and requesting the Board to take an affirmative vote to permit interns to take divisions of the ARE following graduation from a NAAB accredited degree program and concurrent with enrollment in the IDP.

**ACTION:** The Board is waiting for NCARB to adopt model law before making any changes to its regulations pertaining to this matter.

2 Letter dated January 20, 2007 from John A. Cwikla, Regional Associate Director, requesting the Board support a proposal to allow all divisions of the ARE to be taken concurrent with the IDP is attached for Board review.

**ACTION:** The Board is waiting for NCARB to adopt model law before making any changes to its regulations pertaining to this matter.

### **B Legislation**

It is requested by the Division Director's office that the Board review the following bill(s) and advise if a position is taken.

S-2473 - Authorizes court to waive license revocation process for certain child support obligors.

**ACTION:** Mr. DeMassi motioned to support this Bill. Ms. GoteL seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### **C Information**

NCARB Fast Facts dated January 26, 2007 is attached for Board information.

ACTION: Duly noted.

## 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

Childress, Richard H.	Connors, Stephen R.	Cui, Xin*
Forward, Timothy J.	Jantzen, Christof	Karp, Kobi*
Flynn, Kevin J.	Drago, Paul	Fresn, Skip A.*
Magar, Scott D.	Marin, Walter	Pellinen, Daniel L.*
Kim, Jonghyuck	Lahey, John C.	LeGardeur, Armand*
Shakespear, Amy M.	Solner, David M.	Doyle, Robert D.*
Hafner, John D.	Salopek, Mark S.	Schantz, Jeffrey L.*
Pizzimanti, Peter	Simpson, Grant A.	Brown, Joseph L.*
Smith, Jeffrey T.	Mott, John K.	Mesz, Gary

ACTION: Mr. DeMassi motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure through credentials. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### B. Applications for Examination

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

Tomasz Adach Wai-Lung Choi Aherin Lee Cox  
Erick M. Urias John Wissinger Gary A. Junkroft  
Yutharinthorn Harris Robert J. Waldron

ACTION: Mr. DeMassi motioned to admit the above individuals to the ARE process. Mr. Kniesler seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### C Licensure by Examination

The following applicant/s have completed all Divisions of the Architectural Registration Examination and are submitted to the Board for licensure:

Kristine Elbouazaoui Antonio Aiello Andrzej Karcz

ACTION: Mr. DeMassi motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure. Ms. GoteL seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### D Certificate/s of Authorization

1 STUDIOS ARCHITECTURE VA INC. Architecture  
1625 M Street NW  
Washington DC 20036

Responsible Architect: Todd DeGarmo - License #AI014341

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.

ACTION: Mr. Garcia motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to Studios Architecture VA Inc. Mr.

DeMassi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

2 SULLIVAN + SULLIVAN DESIGN LLC Architecture  
25 Green Street  
Princeton NJ 08542

Responsible Architect: Mark Sullivan - License #AI013746

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey architect who owns 67% of the shares in business with an unlicensed individual who owns 33% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

ACTION: Mr. Garcia motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to Sullivan + Sullivan Design LLC. Mr. DeMassi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

3 WOOLPERT ARCHITECTURE LLC Architecture  
409 East Monument Avenue  
Dayton OH 45402-1261

Responsible Architect: Roger Dahnert - License #AI017335

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. Woolpert Architecture LLC is an affiliate of Woolpert, Inc. It was founded in 1911 by Ralph Woolpert, a surveyor. At that time, the company was called the Ralph L. Woolpert Company. The firm has since grown to a 750+ person multi-discipline firm offering engineering, surveying, architecture and landscape architecture, photogrammetry, GIS, information technology and related services. Ralph Woolpert is no longer living; however, the firm has continued with the name Woolpert, both for sentimental and business reasons. Please see attached letter sent by the Corporate Licensing Colinda Shields

ACTION: Mr. Garcia motioned to hold this application until clarification of the relationship between Woolpert Architecture and Woolpert Inc. Ms. GoteL seconded the motion. Motion was defeated by a vote of 3 to 2. DAG apprised the Board that information about the firm name is not necessary because the Board has no regulations pertaining to firm names and Board staff should not require an explanation. After further discussion, Mr. Kniesler motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to Woolpert Architecture LLC. Ms. GoteL seconded the motion. Mr. Garcia abstained. Mr. DeMassi opposed. Motion carried.

4 SHEPLEY BULFINCH RICHARDSON AND ABBOTT, INC. Architecture  
2 Seaport Lane  
Boston MA 02210

Responsible Architect: Carole Wedge - License #AI015648

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by 13 New Jersey architects who own 80.3% of the shares in business with 43 unlicensed individuals who own 19.7% of the shares. Please note that the people named in the firm are the founders of the company of whom all are deceased. According to the Administrative Assistant of the firm, the name of the firm is kept for sentimental reasons. Please see attached letter.

ACTION: Mr. Garcia motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott, Inc. Mr. DeMassi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

5 JOSHUA ZINDER ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN, LLC Architecture  
20 Nassau Street - Ste 25  
Princeton NJ 08542

Responsible Architect: Joshua Zinder - License #AI015316

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.

ACTION: Mr. Garcia motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to Joshua Zinder Architecture + Design, LLC. Mr. DeMassi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

6 YAO ARCHITECT LLC Architecture  
163-10 Northern Blvd Ste 305  
Flushing NY 11358

Responsible Architect: Jenn-Yeu Yao - License #AI014716

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.

ACTION: Mr. Garcia motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to Yao Architect LLC. Mr. DeMassi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## **VIII PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Antonio Aiello, applicant for licensure, was present to express to the Board his remorse for his actions in the past that arose on his application. Mr. DeMassi thanked Mr. Aiello for his honesty and sincerity with the Board today.

## **IX EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:20 am, Mr. DeMassi motioned to go into Executive Session for the purposes of reviewing the matter scheduled for an inquiry as well as executive session items. Mr. Kniesler seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## **X NEXT MEETINGS**

February 22, 2007 Regular Meeting Union Room - 3rd Floor

March 15, 2007 Regular Meeting Union Room - 3rd Floor

## **XI ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2 pm.