

# MINUTES

## NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

March 9, 2017

### Public Session

#### I CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:08 am in the Union Conference Room on the third (3rd) floor at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

PARTICIPANTS		PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
President	Obiora Agudosi, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Vice President	Albert Zaccone, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Diane Goté, CID	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Kishor Y Joshi, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Louis J. Mraw	( )	( )	(X)
	Government Member			
Board Member	Nicholas J. Netta, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Richard Picatagi, LLC	( )	( )	(X)
Board Member	Michael Soriano, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Architect Member			
Board Member	Architect Member			
Board Member	Landscape Architect Member			
Board Member	Public Member			
Board Member	Public Member			

OTHERS PRESENT: B. Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; Charles Kirk, Acting Executive Director of the Board of Architects; Margaret Hinkley, Secretary to Executive Director of the Board of Architects; Joseph Abello III and Beverly Rankin of the Board of Architects.

ALSO PRESENT: Liza Ackerman, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs.

#### 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.

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**III APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*January 12, 2017*

Clarification change was made to the action for the digital seal and signature regulation item.

**ACTION:** Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**IV ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Executive Director Kirk and Board members Albert Zaccone and Michael Soriano will be attending the NCARB Regional Summit meeting held in Jersey City New Jersey from March 9 through 12, 2017.

**V OLD BUSINESS**

A North Carolina - U.S. Supreme Court decision involving the powers of state boards  
At their July 2015 meeting, the Board was informed of the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision involving the powers of state boards. After some discussion, the Board unanimously voted to send a memo to the Director of Division of Consumer Affairs with their concerns regarding the US Supreme Court's decision. At the May 12, 2016 meeting, Mr. Kirk informed the Board that there is no new information from the Division of Consumer Affairs. However, there is discussion toward formulating a policy within the Division concerning this matter. The Board unanimously voted to express the Board's disappointment that the Division has not provided some direction as to the protection of the board member's position acting on behalf of the state and this Board. Also that none of the state boards are participating in the discussion toward formulating a policy within the Division. On June 9, 2016, the Board expressed their concerns with Matthew Wetzel, Assistant Deputy Director, Division of Consumer Affairs. On July 14, 2016, Mr. Kirk informed the Board that there is no new directive from the Division with respect to this matter. Mr. Zaccone reiterated the Board's disappointment that the Division has not provided some direction as to the protection of the board member's position acting on behalf of the state and this Board.

**ACTION:** Liza Ackerman, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs, was present to update the Board members on A-4273 was amended to provide indemnification for board members. This bill passed the Assembly.

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**B** Digital seal and signature regulation

On January 12, 2017 the Board met with Liza Ackerman, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs, met with the Board to inform them that the administrative process is to put a press release on the Division's website regarding the adoption of this regulation, unfortunately it did not happen. Because of this, the proposed comment period was re-opened for comments. The re-opened comment period ends January 17, 2017. As of today's date, no additional comments have been received on this regulation. After some discussion, the Board unanimously voted to re-adopt the digital signature and seal regulation absent any comments.

**ACTION:** Liza Ackerman, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs, was present to update the Board members on this regulation, which is almost final. Once she receives the publication date she will advise the Board.

**VI NEW BUSINESS**

**A** Landscape Architect Continuing Education course review report

**APPROVE**

- 1 Ethics: Shades of Green Webcast offered by Red Vector is approved for **3 hours**
- 2 Signage for Architects, Interior Designers and Landscape Architects offered by Red Vector is approved for **2 hours**
- 3 Green Infrastructure 2: Best Practices for Site Assessment offered by Red Vector is approved for **1 hour**
- 4 Green Infrastructure 6: Best Practices for Stormwater Management offered by Red Vector is approved for **3 hours**
- 5 Green Infrastructure 7: Best Practices for Landscape offered by Red Vector is approved for **3 hours**
- 6 Green Infrastructure 3: Best Practices for Streetscape offered by Red Vector is approved for **2 hours**
- 7 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPP) and the Landscape Architect (GCE #1-1701) offered by Richard Gibney is approved for **1 hour**
- 8 Planting in Post-Wild World – February 28, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 9 Grades and Standards and New Jersey – February 28, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 10 Help Dogs and Landscapes Play Nicely Together – February 28, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 11 Winter Pruning – March 1, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 12 The ABC's (Abiotic, Biotic and Clients) of IPM in the Landscape – February 28, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 13 "Hold on to your Ash" – March 1, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1.5 hours**

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- 14 “Boxwood: Now You See Them, Soon You Won’t” – March 1, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1.5 hours**
- 15 Using IPM Cultural Strategies to Manage Key Turf Diseases – March 1, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 16 Dealing with Salinity Issues in Landscaping – February 28, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 17 Native Plants for Native Pollinator – February 28, 2017 offered by NJ NLA is approved for **1 hour**
- 18 Organic Land Care Certificate Program – January 23, 24, 30 & 31, 2017 offered by Rutgers University is approved for **7 hours per day / 28 hours total**

**DENIED**

The following courses were found to be too basic in knowledge and not landscape architecture courses:

- 1 Social Media Marketing for Retail Garden Centers offered by NJ NLA
- 2 Power of the Inbox offered by NJ NLA
- 3 Understanding Slow Release Nitrogen Fertilizers for turf offered by NJ NLA
- 4 Pesticide Safety offered by NJ NLA
- 5 DEP Pesticide Program offered by NJ NLA
- 6 Biology for Gardeners and Landscapers offered by NJ NLA
- 6 About Climate, Water & Soils in Landscape Management offered by NJ NLA
- 7 Planting Techniques for Container and B&B Material offered by NJ NLA
- 8 Guaranteeing Life? offered by NJ NLA

**ACTION:** Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the above courses as noted. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**B Interior Design Committee**

July 11, 2016 minutes

**ACTION:** Ms. Goté motioned to accept of the Interior Design Committee minutes as presented. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**C Information**

Copy of the CLARB E-News for January 2017 is attached for Board information.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

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D Legislation

A-4459 – Requires Attorney General provide active supervision of certain occupational and professional licensing boards is attached for Board review.

**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

Thomas McMahon\*  
Zhoung Dohhee\*  
Michael P. Rowe\*  
Christopher Gunter\*  
Linda Montanile-Smith\*  
Brian Ward\*  
Rita Schmid\*  
Kellee D Bowers\*  
Richard S. Walker\*  
William Riley  
Peter Gillies\*  
Paul Tepfer  
Mark Winford

Jeffrey Klatt\*  
Manish Savani\*  
Thomas Turvaville\*  
Stephen S. Jang\*  
Peter Hosmer\*  
Ko Makabe\*  
Douglas Tayrien\*  
Christian Rogers\*  
Daniel Dokken\*  
Benoit, Camaal M\*  
Hernan Garcia\*  
Brinkley, Jonathan R\*

Jason Kreiger\*  
Emre Ozkan\*  
Manoj Dalaya\*  
Shannon, Mark J\*  
David Stockless\*  
Joseph Lo\*  
Jeremy Sass\*  
Ivan Rosa\*  
Dominic Dunn\*  
Barlis, Alan R\*  
Matthew Shuba  
Ronald Doebler\*

**ACTION:** Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**BOARD REVIEWED**

Johnston, Brian S.

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing the submitted information, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Brian Johnston for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Michael Hanson

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing the submitted information, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Michael Hanson for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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Jacob Raketich\*

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing the submitted information, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Jacob Raketich for licensure by credentials. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously

**B Applications for Examination**

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

Chana Kotler  
Edward P. Wilkowski, PE  
Vanessa Vereschak

Mathew P Mamary  
Jennifer L. Rorabaugh

Jacinto P. Oubiña  
Lionel Camacho

**ACTION:** Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the above individuals to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Netta seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**C Licensure by Examination**

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

Emily Mastropiетро  
Alexander Baffoe-Bonnie  
Jacqueline K. Glenn

Katherine Weaver  
Ibrahim Issa++  
Trevor J. Nye++

Ronald W. Schwenke III+  
Matthew D. Huber  
Eva K. Peragallo

+ - transfer from OH for initial license in NJ  
++ - transfer from NY for initial license in NJ

**ACTION:** Mr. Joshi motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure since they have completed the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**D Certificate/s of Authorization**

1 **RALPH MICHAEL BEIRAN ASSOCIATES, LLC**  
50 W Main Street – 2<sup>nd</sup> Flr  
Somerville NJ 08876

**Architecture**

Responsible Architect: Ralph Beiran – License #AI017366

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

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- 2      **K2M DESIGN, INC.**      **Architecture**  
3121 Bridge Avenue  
Cleveland OH 44113
- Responsible Architect:      Scott Maloney – License #AI017674
- Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 95% of the shares in business with an unlicensed individual who owns 5% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.
- 3      **PHILLIP D. KUNZ ARCHITECTS, INCORPORATED**      **Architecture**  
700 Collings Avenue  
Collingswood NJ 08107
- Responsible Architect:      Phillip D. Kunz – License #AI011954
- Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 100% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.
- 4      **THE IVES ARCHITECTURE STUDIO, LLC**      **Architecture**  
14-25 Plaza Road  
Fair Lawn NJ 07410
- Responsible Architect:      Joel Ives – License #AI005942
- Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 100% of the business. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.
- 5      **WHITE DOG COLLABORATIVE, LLC**      **Architecture**  
7 Allen Lane  
Collingswood NJ 08108
- Responsible Architect:      Anthony A. Sirizzotti – License #AI009853
- Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed 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.

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- 6      **MUKTI ARCHITECTURE, LLC**      **Architecture**  
123 Town Square Place - #182  
Jersey City NJ 07310

Responsible Architect:      Mukti Bajaj – license #AI019888

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

- 7      **FRANK COLASURDO ARCHITECT, INC.**      **Architecture**  
350 Clark Drive – Ste 304  
Mt Olive NJ 07828

Responsible Architect:      Frank Colasurdo – license #AI013753

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

- 8      **DI DOMENICO + PARTNERS**      **Architecture**  
3743 Crescent Street – 3rd Flr.  
Long Island City NY 11101

Responsible Architect:      John Di Domenico – License #AI008673

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

**ACTION:** Mr. Joshi motioned to approve the above eight (8) firms for Certificates of Authorization. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- E      Home Inspector Applications  
The following individual has applied for a Home Inspector’s license, have met board requirements and are recommended for licensure:

Cory J. Fernandez, RA      Mark H. Berman

**ACTION:** Mr. Joshi motioned to approve the above individuals for a Home Inspector’s license. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.



**VIII LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT APPLICATION REVIEW**

**A Initial Licensure by examination: LARE taken**

The following individuals have submitted a completed application for licensure inasmuch as they have already completed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) and are recommended for licensure. \*- CLARB Council Record holder

Heller, Benjamin R.\*

Harrington, Anne Marie\*

**ACTION:** Mr. Zaccone motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**B Licensure without examination**

The following individuals submit completed applications for licensure without examination and are recommended for licensure. \*- CLARB Council Record holder

Rock, Robert E.\*

Hansplant, Laura R.\*

**ACTION:** Mr. Zaccone motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**BOARD REVIEWED**

Kraisinger, Kurt L.\*+

**ACTION:** Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

+ - to be reviewed in executive session

**C Certificate/s of Authorization**

The following firm/s submit/s a completed application for a Certificate/s of Authorization and is/are recommended for approval.

**CHERICHELLO ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC**

**Landscape Architecture**

302 Savannah Road

Manchester NJ 08757

Responsible Landscape Architect: Joseph Cherichello - license #AS001023

**ACTION:** Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the above firm for a Certificate of Authorization. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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**IX PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Seeing no one from the public present, Mr. Agudosi proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

**X EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Soriano motioned to go into executive session to review the minutes and other agenda items. Ms. Goté seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**XI NEXT MEETINGS**

April 13, 2017                                      Regular Meeting                                      Union Room - 3rd Flr  
    Investigative inquiry with the architect pertaining to ITEM NO. ARC-2016-01427 @ 10am  
    Investigative inquiry with the respondent pertaining to ITEM NO. ARC-2016-01427 @ 11am

May 11, 2017                                      Regular Meeting                                      Union Room - 3rd Flr  
    Investigative inquiry with the architect pertaining to ITEM NO. 102287 @ 10am

**X ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2 pm.