

# New Jersey State Board of Architects

March 14, 2002

## Public Session Minutes

### I CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:40 am in the Union Conference Room on the third (3rd) floor at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

PARTICIPANTS	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
President Frederick Kniesler, CLA	(X)	( )	( )
Vice President Howard Horii, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Barbara Brandon	(X)	( )	( )
Public Member			
Board Member Paul DeMassi, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Bernard Kellenyi, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Vivian G. Lopez, Esq.	(X)	( )	( )
Government Member			
Board Member Janice M. Mintz	(X)	( )	( )
Public Member			
Board Member Jeanne Perantoni, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member Kyu-Jung Whang, RA	(X)	( )	( )

**OTHERS PRESENT:** James S. Hsu, Executive Director, NJ Board of Architects; Susan Berger, Deputy Attorney General; Margaret Hinkley, Secretary to the Executive Director, and Tom Dolan, Board of Architects.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Al Zacccone, Liaison from the New Jersey Chapter of the AIA.

### 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

February 28, 2002

**ACTION:** Ms. Brandon motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Lopez seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Director Hsu announced the following:

- DAG Susan Berger is present as a temporary replacement for DAG Shirley Passow who is on vacation.
- In the Matter of Paul Amelchenko, the Final Order was issued and Mr. Amelchenko responded and forwarded a check in the amount of \$1,065 to cover costs imposed and will make monthly installments to the penalty issued of \$12,500.
- A-565 Designated the "Interior Designers Certification Act." (2000:A-2768)  
01/08/02--Introduced, ref to Asm Reg Profs & Ind Auths.  
01/31/02--Reported, ref to Asm Appropriations.  
03/04/02--Reported, 2nd rdg in Asm.
- The substance of the above Bill A-565 is identical to the Interior Designer Bill from last session.

## V OLD BUSINESS

### A Correspondence

1 On December 13, 2001, the Board reviewed a letter dated December 5, 2001, from Alex Garcia, who is formally requesting a ruling in accordance with Section 45:4B. The Economic Development Authority (EDA) has advertised for professional services for 3 school health and safety projects in Paterson, NJ, and has informed Mr. Garcia's firm that if they "submit a proposal request as an architectural firm, the proposal will automatically be dismissed because EDA has advertised these 3 projects as requiring an engineering lead for the projects." DAG Passow advised the Board that she and Sandra Y. Dick, DAG, spoke with people from the Economic Development Authority (EDA), who seemed surprised there are rules that state Architects can do projects under the E-Use group classification as stated in N.J.A.C. 45:4B-7. Board office to acknowledge receipt of Mr. Garcia's letter and advise that the Board is looking into this matter. DAG Passow is to draft a letter to EDA advising the Board's position for Board review at next meeting. On January 24, 2002, the Board reviewed another copy of Mr. Garcia's letter as well as a draft letter from DAG Passow addressed to the NJ Economic Development Authority, which the Board accepted and requested that the Executive Director issue the letter on Board letterhead. On February 14, 2002, the Board reviewed a copy of a letter dated January 31, 2002, from Alex Garcia advising the board of more information regarding the NJEDA. Also distributed was a copy of the letter sent by the Board to Caren Franzini for information. Mr. Kniesler advised the Board that Andrew Yosha, from NJ Economic Development Authority, contacted him regarding the Board's letter and requested to set up a meeting with the Board to discuss the matter further. On February 28, 2002, the Board reviewed a letter dated February 14, 2002 from Andrew Yosha, Director, Contract Procurement & Administration for NJ EDA as well as a copy of the Board's letter addressed to Caren Franzini, Executive Director, EDA, are attached for Board review.

3/14/02 Mr. Kniesler advised the Board that he received a phone call from Caren Franzini pertaining to five projects already out for bid for Engineering firms and requesting a waiver from the Board to proceed with these bids from engineering firms. Mr. Kniesler stated he advised Ms. Franzini contact DAG Passow or Executive Director Hsu.

## VI NEW BUSINESS

### A. Information

1 Letter dated February 22, 2002, was received from Robert A. Boynton, who is running for 1st Vice President/President Elect of NCARB, is attached for Board information.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

2 Memo dated March 5, 2002, from Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director, pertaining to the latest revisions of the Uniform Enforcement Act.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

3 A copy of a memo dated March 6, 2002, from Sharon M. Joyce, Acting Director, Division of Consumer Affairs, pertaining to legislative inquiries.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

## **VII REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

### **A. Direct Applications for Reciprocal Licensure**

The following individual/s applied for reciprocity based on a license held in another state and are recommended for licensure:

Shigehiro Shishido      Jennifer H. Smith    Christian E. Reynolds  
William J. Jacquette, Jr.   Daniel O'Connor    David C. Harvey  
Gordon Gilbert

**ACTION:** Mr. Whang motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure through reciprocity. Ms. Brandon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The following individual/s applied for reciprocity based on a license held in another state and submits construction documents to document five years of responsible practice of architecture.

Robert DePippa

**ACTION:** The Board reviewed plans that were submitted for review and determined to request a letter be forwarded to the Board from Jeffrey Wells pertaining to Mr. DePippa's practice of architecture.

William Fleck

**ACTION:** Mr. Whang motioned that the Board deny Mr. Fleck's application unless he can prove to the Board that he has practiced architectural services for at least five years. Ms. Perantoni seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### **B. Applications for Reciprocal Licensure / NCARB**

The following individual/s applied for reciprocity based on a license held in another state and certification by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and are recommended for licensure:

Peter G. Bachmann    Harvey I. Cohen      F. Lubbock Davies III  
Joseph A. Defilippis   Timothy A. Geitz      Kyprianos Lambiris  
Dean M. McClure      Henry D. Thompson    Edwin M. Wallover III  
Eugene P. Berg Jr.    Eric B. Rhodehamel    George M. Dirr  
Stephen Kredell      George M. Heinlein    James N. Coley II

Arthur B. Demarest    Robert Barbach    Laurinda H. Spear  
John R. Welty        Ashraf Ragab        Joel Bargmann

**ACTION:** Mr. Whang motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure through reciprocity. Ms. Brandon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The following individual/s applied for reciprocity based on a license held in another state and certification by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and submits construction documents to document five years of responsible practice of architecture.

Stephanie Fantl

**ACTION:** Mr. Kellenyi motioned to approve Ms. Fantl for licensure through reciprocity. Ms. Brandon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### **C. Applications for Examination**

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

Valdes, Juan A.        Otto, Kurt C.    Robbins, Jr., James C.  
Handy, Jr., Alfred G.

**ACTION:** Mr. Whang motioned to approve the above individuals to be admitted to the examination process. Ms. Mintz seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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

Calligaro, Gary W.    Genovese, Daniel P.    Hanrahan, Michael J.  
Jimenez III, Eduardo    Lutz, Daniel L.        Mason, Fred P.  
McAlary, Patrick J.    Ryan, Daniel J.        Shortino, Brian P. - PE

**ACTION:** Mr. Whang motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure through reciprocity. Ms. Perantoni seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

### **D. Certificate/s of Authorization**

#### **1 TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION ARCHITECT OF NEW JERSEY Architecture**

2400 Pershing Road - Ste 400  
Kansas City MO 64108

Responsible Architect: Melville J. Vickerman Jr. - License #AI 11490

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, in business with a non-licensed individual. This application appears to meet all statutory requirements.

**ACTION:** Ms. Brandon motioned to approve Transystems Corporation Architect of New Jersey for a certificate of

authorization. Ms. Mintz seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**2 FRIEDMUTTER GROUP, LLC Architecture**

8025 Black Horse Pike - Ste 333  
West Atlantic City NJ 08401

Responsible Architect: Joseph Emanuele - License #AI 10466

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 meet all statutory requirements.

**ACTION:** Ms. Brandon motioned to approve Friedmutter Group, LLC for a certificate of authorization. Ms. Mintz seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**3 BRAD HENRY FRIEDMUTTER & ASSOC., LTD. Architecture**

8025 Black Horse Pike - Ste 333  
West Atlantic City NJ 08401

Responsible Architect: Joseph Emanuele - License #AI 10466

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 meet all statutory requirements.

**ACTION:** Ms. Brandon motioned to approve Brad Henry Friedmutter & Assoc., LTD. for a certificate of authorization. Ms. Mintz seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**4 CARMEN IUSO ARCHITECT LLC. Architecture**

131 Bee Meadow Parkway  
Whippany NJ 07981

Responsible Architect: Carmen Iuso - License #AI 14292

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 meet all statutory requirements.

**ACTION:** Ms. Brandon motioned to approve Carmen Iuso Architect LLC. for a certificate of authorization. Ms. Lopez seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**5 RICHARD TOKARSKI ARCHITECT LLC Architecture**

504 Yew Drive  
Brick NJ 08724

Responsible Architect: Richard P. Tokarski Jr. - License #AI 13755

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 meet all statutory requirements.

**ACTION:** Ms. Brandon motioned to approve Richard Tokarski Architect LLC for a certificate of authorization. Ms. Lopez seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**6 BUCK SIMPERS ARCHITECT + ASSOCIATES, INC. Architecture**

26B Trolley Square  
Wilmington DE 19806

Responsible Architect: Ralph W. Simperts - License #AI 08976

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by three New Jersey licensed architects, of which one of them owns 100% of the shares. This application appears to meet all statutory requirements.

**ACTION:** Ms. Brandon motioned to approve Buck Simperts Architect + Associates, Inc. for a certificate of authorization. Ms. Lopez seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## **VIII PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Al Zaccone, Liaison from the New Jersey Chapter of the AIA, was present and commented on the following:

- Centennial celebration of the Board of Architects will take place at the Newark Club on June 13, 2002, whereby the Board of Architects will distribute certificates to newly licensed architects.
- On April 17, 2002, the AIA-NJ directors meeting will discuss the future plan of the organization, the future trends of the profession of architects and what the organization can do to provide better service to its members and the consumers.
- State Board position of site liability bill, if the Board has any concerns that he can forward to AIA-NJ.

At this point, Mr. Whang requested a position from the AIA-NJ on roofing companies as a result of the State Commission of Investigation report and also the sponsorship of AIA meetings, conferences, functions that are sponsored by said roofing company. Ms. Mintz recused herself from this discussion and left the room. Mr. Zaccone stated he would find out what AIA-NJ's position on this matter is and report back to the Board next month.

## **IX EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:45 am, Mr. DeMassi motioned to go into Executive Session for the purposes of reviewing executive session minutes and disciplinary matters before the Board. Ms. Brandon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## **X NEXT MEETINGS**

	Regular Meeting	
March 28, 2002	Investigative inquiry is scheduled pertaining to ITEM NO. 01-09-02	Union Conference Room
April 11, 2002	Regular Meeting	Union Conference Room
	Regular Meeting	
April 25, 2002	Investigative inquiry is scheduled pertaining to ITEM NO. 01-05-01	Union Conference Room

## **XI ADJOURNMENT**

At 2 pm, Ms. Perantoni motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Brandon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.