

MINUTES

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

November 10, 2016

Public Session

I CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:09 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			
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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

October 13, 2016

ACTION: Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Picatagi announced that he will be attending the CLARB Board of Directors meeting on December 2 & 3, 2016.

Mr. Zaccone announced that he and Executive Director Kirk attended the NCARB meeting in Columbus Ohio. Some of the issues discussed concerned the illegal practice of architecture; raising the amounts of fine/penalties; working closer with home improvement contractors; legislative impediments; length of time to have rules changed.

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: Duly noted.

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VI NEW BUSINESS

A Correspondence

Copy of an e-mail from Kevin J. O'Neill, attorney, who questions whether an architect is authorized to sign engineering designs and are there any circumstances under which an architect can prepare engineering drawings in New Jersey is attached for Board review.

ACTION: Mr. Zacccone motioned to send a letter to Mr. O'Neill advising that there is not enough information for the Board to reach a determination and that he should review of the scope of practice definitions for architects and professional engineers and apply that to the building design services act. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

B Landscape Architect Continuing Education course review

A request for re-consideration for the following course was received and is recommended for three (3) hours:

Phytotechnologies: Using Plants to Clean Up Webcast

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned that based on the information submitted the above course be approved for three (3) hours of continuing education credits. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

C Legislation

A-4273 which requires State supervision of certain professional and occupational licensing boards is attached for board review.

ACTION: Liza Ackerman, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs was present for discussion of this Bill. The Board has concerns that the bill needs to provide immunity, and to clearly define immunity for board members and clarification of the workings of the process.

D Information

1 Copy of the October CLARB Member Board E-News is attached for Board review and information.

ACTION: Duly noted.

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- 2 Copy of an e-mail from CLARB pertaining to updates to the LARE in April 2017 is attached for Board review and 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

Bagnick, Brian C*	Luis C Bernardo	Gonzalo Villares*
Jeri Conrad Fink*	Courtney Haviland*	Peter Hapstak III*
Glen Palmer*	Michael Roman*	James Schmitt*
Jonathan Zane*	James Shaughnessy*	Rafal Toczko*
Daniel Langefels*	Scott Grady	Budd, Kenneth*
Nelson, Jeffrey P*	Nadolski, Kenneth D*	Kocher, Thomas B*
Michael Vernich*	James Lohmeyer*	Edward McGonigle*
Katherine Guyon*	James Escobar*	Bartle, Andrew B*

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

BOARD TO REVIEW

Browne, William A*+

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing information in executive session, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Mr. Browne for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Gary Wolf*+

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing information in executive session, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Mr. Wolf for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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Jonathan Sims*+

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing information in executive session, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zaccone 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:

Daniel J. Allocca
Sarah M. Eid
James A. Smith
Karolina Zalucka
Pierre Talisse

Jacob P. Cutillo
Jeffrey S. Gendell
Jonathan A. Terrero
Christian M. Tamayo

Dennis J. Dragon
Efram M. Ghobrial
Timothy Yiu
Bryan Keelan

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

BOARD REVIEWED

Patrick M. Lesbirel+

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing information in executive session, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Patrick Lesbirel to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Picatagi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Majed I. Isamail+

+ - to be reviewed in executive session

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing information in executive session, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Majed Isamail to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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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:

Jeffrey M. Hassert
Crystal M Pickard

Aria Ray Kamazin
Louis V Profera

Liam P Morrow++

++ - ARE taken in NY transferred file from NY to NJ for licensure

ACTION: Mr. Joshi motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure inasmuch as they have complied with all requirements for licensure. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

D Certificate/s of Authorization

- 1 **FELTZ COLLINS ARCHITECTURE, LLC** **Architecture**
213 Holly Avenue
Lincroft NJ 07738

Responsible Architect: David Collins – license #AI017756

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by two New Jersey licensed architects who own 100% of the shares in business with two unlicensed individuals who own 28% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

- 2 **JPR WOOD CONSULTING LLC** **Architecture**
d/b/a Robie J Wood Architects LLC
332 Second Avenue
Garwood NJ 07027

Responsible Architect: Robie J. Wood – license #AI017678

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.

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- 3 **SAA ARCHITECTS, INC** **Architecture**
600 N. Hartley Street – Ste 150
York PA 17404
- Responsible Architect: Mark Shermeyer – license #AI020084
- Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 90% of the shares in business with an unlicensed individual who owns 10% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.
- 4 **STERLING BARNETT LITTLE, INC.** **Architecture**
1000 Ballpark Way - #200
Arlington TX 76011
- Responsible Architect: James S. Little Jr. – license #AI017517
- Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 66.94% of the shares in the business with three unlicensed individuals who own 33.06% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.
- 5 **BARLO GOVERNALE & ASSOCIATES, LLC** **Architecture**
674 Cassville Road
Jackson NJ 08527
- Responsible Architect: Daniel J. Governale – license #AI020222
- 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.

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- 6 **BERSA ARCHITECTS, LLC** **Architecture**
168 Union Avenue
Nutley NJ 07110

Responsible Architect: Gianfranco C Sarrido – license #AI020229

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 75% of the shares in business with an unlicensed individual who owns 25% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

- 7 **WECKENMANN ARCHITECTURE, LLC** **Architecture**
277 York Street #302
Jersey City NJ 07302

Responsible Architect: William Weckenmann – license #AI020293

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.

- 8 **EXP A/E, INC.** **Architecture+**
205 No. Michigan Ave – Ste 3600
Chicago IL 60601

Responsible Architect: Timothy D Neumann – license #AI017905

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural and closely allied professional services is submitted by New Jersey licensed architect and professional engineer who own 70% of the shares in business with an unlicensed individual who owns 30% of the shares of the corporation. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

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

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VIII LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT APPLICATION REVIEW

A Initial Licensure by examination: LARE taken

The following individual/s has/have submitted a completed application for licensure inasmuch as he/she has/have already completed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) are is/are recommended for licensure. *- CLARB Council Record holder

Lelie, Kendra*

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve Kendra Lelie for licensure. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

BOARD REVIEWED

Howell, Adam*+

+ - to be reviewed in executive session

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing the information in executive session, Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve Adam Howell for licensure. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

B 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.

1 NORRIS DESIGN INC.

Landscape Architecture

1101 Bannock Street

Denver CO 80204

Responsible Landscape Architect: Stacey Weaks – license #AS001233

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

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IX INTERIOR DESIGN APPLICATION REVIEW

A The following individual has applied for certification, and the Interior Design Committee recommends approval for:

Cristina M. Colacci

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve the above applicant for certification as an Interior Designer. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

X PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

XI EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

XII NEXT MEETINGS

December 8, 2016	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3rd Flr
January 12, 2017	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3rd Flr

XIII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2 pm.