

MINUTES

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

August 12, 2010

Public Session

I CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:05 am in the Union Conference Room on the third (3rd) floor at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

PARTICIPANTS		PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED	
President	Kishor Y Joshi, RA	(X)	()	()	
Vice President	Albert Zaccone, RA	()	()	(X)	
Board Member	Obiora Agudosi, RA	(X)	()	()	
Board Member	Jack P. Carman, LLA	(X)	()	()	
Board Member	Diane Goté, CID	(X)	()	()	
Board Member (X)	Bernard Kellenyi, RA		()	()	
Board Member	Arthur F Margiotta, RA	(X)	()	()	
Board Member	Louis J Mraw Government Member	()	()	(X)	
Board Member	Nicholas J. Netta, RA		()	()	(X)
Board Member	Richard Picatagi, LLA	(X)	()	()	
Board Member	Michael G. Soriano, RA	(X)	()	()	
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OTHERS PRESENT: B. Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; Charles Kirk, Acting Executive Director of 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: Jerome Eben, RA on behalf of the NJ Society of Architects (AIA-NJ) and Jeffrey Tandul, LLA on behalf of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

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

July 8, 2010

ACTION: Ms. Goté motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Carman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board President appointed and re-appointed board members to the various sub-committees as follows:

- Joint Committee - Mr. Zaccone and Mr. Joshi will remain as members. Mr. Soriano is the alternate member.
- Legislation Review Committee - Mr. Zaccone
- Regulation Review Committee - Ms. Goté (Interior Designers), Mr. Carman (Landscape Architects), Messrs. Zaccone and Joshi with Mr. Soriano as the alternate (Architects)
- Application Review consisting of applications for examination, reciprocal licensing and home inspector license - Art Margiotta and Nicholas Netta

Mr. Kirk announced the following:

- Messrs. Mraw, Netta and Zaccone were excused from today's meeting.
- Board Member Bernard Kellenyi's wife, Margaret, passed away on August 4, 2010.
- Electronic scanning of the Board's records will begin soon. Preliminary meetings were held with the vendor and the next step is to take an inventory of the board's records.

V OLD BUSINESS

No business was discussed

VI NEW BUSINESS

A Information

- 1 Copy of a July 2010 Member Board E-News from CLARB is attached for Board information.

ACTION: Duly noted.

- 2 Copy of an email from Matthew Mullin from NCARB pertaining to an update of Resolution 2009-02(d) ARE eligibility sunset rule is attached for Board information.

ACTION: Duly noted.

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B Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee

May 5, 2010 minutes

ACTION: Ms. Goté motioned to approve the Interior Design Committee minutes as presented. Mr. Carman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

C Legislation

Attached is a copy of a summary memo from Burt Liebman concerning the periodic report on legislation during the period of April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010. Copies of the bills are also attached for Board review.

ACTION: Duly noted.

D Continuing Education course/seminar review

Perennial Plant Conference scheduled for October 15, 2010 held at Swarthmore College.

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing the information provided, the Board denied continuing education credits for the Perennial Plant Conference scheduled for October 15, 2010 held at Swarthmore College.

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

Angyal, Kristy M*
Marble, Scott R
Riley, Michael N*
Cunningham, Ralph S*
Fuller, Walter A*
Virani, Raj G*
Hofheins, Francis H*
Onopa, Karl W

Moss, Christiana Q*
Wong, Haoman F
Trego, Robert J Jr*
Gay, Sandra D*
Noe, Gerald P*
Phillip, Bradley J*
Bloom, Derek*
Drake, Sarah G

Carroll, Mary F*
Hadas, Dov
Provencher, Kevin M*
Cox, Alvin J*
Zeroth, Lawrence J*
Mrkic, Anthony M*
Norton, Brian T*
Ansteth, William R.*

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

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B. Applications for Examination

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

Michael J Ryan II
John R Goliszewski
Gabriella L. B. Stasiulewicz

Julian J Ramos
Susan R Berman

Dipakkumar G Patel
Gavril E Slasky

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

Brian P. Fitzgerald

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing the information in executive session, Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve Mr. Fitzgerald to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Agudosi 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:

Christine DeJesus
Erin Vasold

Donald K Ho
Joseph L Walker

Stuart A Johnson

ACTION: Mr. Joshi motioned to license the above individuals inasmuch as they have completed the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

D Certificate/s of Authorization

1 NELLIGAN WHITE ARCHITECTS
20 W 20th Street - Ste 1100
New York NY 10011

Architecture

Responsible Architect: Bruce G Nelligan - License #AI011913

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 two unlicensed individuals who own 33% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

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- 2 CR.O.S. ARCHITECTURE LLC** **Architecture**
154 Woodbury Road
Edison NJ 08820

Responsible Architect: Hojoon Chung - License #AI017609

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.

- 3 LA LUNA DESIGN GROUP** **Architecture**
531 Tinton Avenue
Tinton Falls NJ 07724

Responsible Architect: Catherine M Flores - License #AI018068

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.

- 4 ALIGN ARCHITECTURAL STUDIOS LLC** **Architecture**
108 Waldo Avenue - Unit BA
Jersey City NJ 07306

Responsible Architect: Michael Cinkewicz - License #AI018364

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.

- 5 ANDESIGN LLC** **Architecture**
36 Demerest Road
Sparta NJ 07871

Responsible Architect: Ann R. P. Sears - License #AI015281

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 two unlicensed individuals who own 33% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

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6 REAL ESTATE DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT LLC **Architecture**
59 Rodney Street
Glen Rock NJ 07952

Responsible Architect: Anthony Morena - License #AI018407

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. Picatagi motioned to issue Certificates of Authorization to the above-noted firms inasmuch as they comply with statutory requirements. Mr. Carman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

7 GRASSO DESIGN GROUP **Architecture**
1312 Atlantic Avenue
Manasquan NJ 08736

Responsible Architect: Paul Lawrence - License #AI012441

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey architect who owns 70% of the shares in business with two unlicensed individuals who own 30% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing the information in executive session, Mr. Soriano motioned to issue Certificate of Authorization to the above-noted firm inasmuch as they comply with statutory requirements. Mr. Picatagi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VIII LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT APPLICATION REVIEW

A Licensure without examination:

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

Conway, Peter M*
Jainchill, Susan*

Grasso, Joseph*
Slocum, Kyle*

Holtzman, Gregory*

ACTION: Mr. Carman motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure without examination. Mr. Picatagi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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B Responses to continuing education question from the 2010/2012 renewal.

1 Steven P. Kleinman - AS000986

Summary: Mr. Kleinman responded “no” to the continuing education question on the 2010/2012 renewal form. A letter was sent out in July 2010 requesting he provide an explanation

8/12/10 Response from Mr. Kleinman is attached for Board review.

ACTION: Mr. Carman motioned to accept 19 of the 24 continuing education hours submitted for the 2010/2012 renewal period and that he is deficient by five (5) hours. Request he provide course descriptions for Basic Stormwater Pond Design and Design within the Environmental Process courses. Advise that he has 90 days to obtain the outstanding credits. Also advise that he cannot utilize any of the submitted continuing education courses for the next renewal period. Mr. Picatagi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

IX CASES REPORTED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEM NO. 67115 - SZALAY, Andre - AI014262

Summary: The Board determined that a Provisional Order of Discipline (POD) be issued to Mr. Szalay for failure to respond to the Board’s request for information in connection with an investigation.

ACTION: Mr. Soriano motioned to finalize the POD with a reprimand and a \$500 fine. Mr. Picatagi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

X CLOSED CASES

The Board closed the following cases at today’s meeting:

- 1 ITEM NO. 66986 – TSAPATSARIS, Nicholas - AI015195
- 2 ITEM NO. 66986 – DEPIPPA, Robert - AI015848
- 3 ITEM NO. 68248 – ROBINSON, James - AI011266

XI PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jerome Eben, RA on behalf of the NJ Society of Architects (AIA-NJ) and Jeffrey Tandul, LLA on behalf of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) were present for today’s meeting.

Mr. Eben commented to the Board on the following items:

- Concerning Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) Rules. These rules apply to renovation, repair, painting or any other activity that disturbs paint surfaces. AIA is requesting guidance from the state board with regard to the following: How will architects be required to handle lead-based paint situations and are architects the responsible professional; What will be the liability issues; how will documenting lead-base paint be done on construction drawings. New Jersey has not applied to the Environmental Protection Agency for the lead-base paint program and how does this affect architects in New Jersey.

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- Stated that he believed the Board should have an “Executive Director” rather than the current “Acting Executive Director.”
- Small business tax issue and how does this affect architectural firms in New Jersey.

Mr. Tandul commented to the Board on the following items:

- Requested the status of the Landscape Architect regulations as well as the use of the information provided by Nicholas Tufaro regarding drainage information. The Board advised that the Landscape Architect regulations were approved by the Board for publication over a year ago. Recently the Board was informed that the regulations is expected to be published in the *New Jersey Register* for comment within the next few months. The public will have a period of time to comment on the regulations. The Board will discuss and respond to the comments received with the final publication of the approved regulations in the *New Jersey Register*. The Board will then move forward and discuss areas of concern and will consider the information provided by Mr. Tufaro when developing further regulations.
- Board’s website contains some dead links. Mr. Kirk advised that staff will look into this matter and inform the MIS unit of any dead links on its website.

XI EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:50 am Mr. Soriano motioned to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing executive session items on the agenda. Mr. Carman seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

XII NEXT MEETINGS

September 9, 2010	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 rd Floor
	Investigative inquiry pertaining to ITEM No. 67115 - 10:30am	
October 14, 2010	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 rd Floor

XIII ADJOURNMENT

At 1pm, Mr. Soriano motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Goté seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.