MINUTES
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS
October 13, 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.

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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; and Martha Richardson staff member of the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

ALSO PRESENT: Brandon Warshofsky on behalf of AIA-NJ

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

September 8, 2016

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

IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Agudosi announced that there is an Investigative Inquiry with the architect pertaining to Item No. 109935 at 10:30 am today.

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: 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.
VI NEW BUSINESS

A Landscape Architect Continuing Education
The following course is recommended for approval with the hours noted:

Tree Canopy Conference: Preserving Trees in Our Communities on October 13, 2016
offered by the Morris Arboretum for 6 hours

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve the above course as noted. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

B Correspondence

1 Attached for the Board’s review is a copy of an e-mail from Taewook Cha who is unclear how NJ defines site plan and a major subdivision plan differently.

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to send a letter to Mr. Cha advising him that he is right in that the Site Plan Rule shows what a design professional can do for a site plan. He also needs to apply the scope of practice for landscape architecture and how it applies to the site plan rule for his projects. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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

Coster, Jean*    Skolozdra, Robert*    Rahn, Glenn R*
Brown, Danielle C*    Botsch, Christopher E*    Jaccard, Lawrence P*
Thomas Wasmoen*    Brian Morgan*    Yevgeniy Mekhtiyev*
Baer, Alan D    Bolante, Gene C*    Marc Kushner*
David R Koons*    Joseph Healy*    Scott Herlitzka*
Troy Hill*    Brittney Everett*    Clifford Gayley*
Arlene Gulbenkian-Edjourian*    Cory Fernandez*    Scott Herrick
Philip Muse*    Kapil Khanna*

ACTION: Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure by credentials. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
BOARD TO REVIEW
Robert Franks*+

+ - Information to be reviewed in Executive Session

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing the information in executive session, Mr. Netta motioned to approve Mr. Franks pending receipt of additional information from the New York Board. Mr. Picatagi 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:

Alexandra Bradley       Patrick T Gallagher       Krystian Krepa
Benjamin R Nicolson     Patricia Reccoppa        Nadene S Taylor
Kyle J Wood

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

**BOARD REVIEWED**
Jonathan C Schewe+

+ - Information to be reviewed in Executive Session

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing information in executive session, Mr. Netta motioned to approve Jonathan Schewe to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Picatagi 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:

George Cocoros       Matthew A Fink       Benjamin D Grace++

++ - transfer from Massachusetts to New Jersey

**ACTION:** Mr. Joshi motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure inasmuch as they have complied with all requirements for licensure. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
VIII  LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT APPLICATION REVIEW

None for review

IX  PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Brandon Warshofsky was present on behalf of AIA-NJ and requested the Board consider early eligibility for ARE candidates to sit for the exam. The Board informed Mr. Warshofsky that by statute the Board cannot allow early eligibility of taking the ARE.

X  EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Goté motioned to go into executive session for the purposes of reviewing the minutes, disciplinary matters and conducting the investigative inquiry on the agenda. Mr. Picatagi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

XI  NEXT MEETINGS

November 10, 2016  Regular Meeting  Union Room - 3rd Flr
December 8, 2016  Regular Meeting  Union Room - 3rd Flr

X  ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2 pm.