

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF TECHNICAL PROFESSIONS

ACTION AGENDA

CARISA MCMULLEN, CHAIR

CALL-IN INFORMATION: 785-414-8630

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DECEMBER 4, 2020

10:00 A.M.

Kansas Board of Technical Professions Board meetings follow the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA).

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

Members present were:

Kimberly Kramer, P.E.
Doug Louis, P.G.
William Haverkamp, P.S.
John Lilak, P.S.
Eric Wimmer, ARCH.
Wendy Ornelas, ARCH.
Larry Graham, P.E., P.S.
Joseph Johnson, ARCH.
Jack Poole, P.E.
Carissa McMullen, L.A.
Bonnie Limbird, Public Member
Brenee King, Public Member
Jennifer Taylor, P.E.

Others present were:

Jessica Pierce, Public Service Administrator
Jane Weiler, Assistant Attorney General
Athena Andaya, Deputy Attorney General
Larry Karns, Executive Director
Erin Thompson, Administrative Specialist
Barb Jordan, Administrative Specialist
Sarah Shipman, Deputy Attorney General
Laine Barnard, Assistant Attorney General
Richard Sleezer, Emporia State University
Joel Wegele, Licensee

I. MINUTES

A. Full Board

1. Approval of minutes of the September 18, 2020 meeting (previously distributed)
2. Publish Minutes

By motion of Mr. Lilak, the Committee voted to approve and publish the minutes of the September 18, 2020 meeting (previously distributed). Ms. Kramer seconded the motion made by Mr. Lilak and the motion carried. By motion of Mr. Lilak, seconded by Ms. Kramer, the Committee voted to approve and publish the minutes of the October 30, 2020 special meeting.

II. ADDITIONS OR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Louis requested the addition of travel approval to the ASBOG meeting in April 2021.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Possible review of items removed from consent agenda

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – 10:15 AM

A. Richard Sleezer – Emporia State University

Mr. Sleezer provided the Board with more information regarding the Earth Science degree at Emporia State University. The Board offered recommendations of how their students can better prepare for application approval through KSBTP.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VI. REVIEW OF INQUIRIES/COMPLAINTS & ATTORNEY REPORTS

A. Complaint Committee Report – Chair Graham

1. Report of Case Files with Final Action Taken by the Committee
2. Receipt of Complaint Committee Report

Chair Graham reported that 7 cases were reviewed with 1 closed, 1 remaining open pending more information, 3 remain open and 2 resulting from a post-renewal audit. The Committee met from 2-2:53pm on December 3, 2020. By motion of Mr. Poole, seconded by Mr. Louis, the Board voted to accept the report.

B. Attorney Report – Athena Andaya, General Counsel

Ms. Andaya reported she will be retiring in December 2020. Ms. Laine Banard will be taking over as counsel for the Board. Ms. Sarah Shipman will replace Ms. Andaya as Deputy Attorney General.

VII. COMMITTEE AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. ARCH/LA/PG Committee – Chair Louis

1. Report of Committee Actions
2. Discussion of Committee Items
3. Receipt of Committee Report

Mr. Louis reported the Committee reviewed no new applications. Mr. Louis reported that the ASBOG annual meeting was held virtually and attended by 60 participants. Computer-based testing will be offered within the next 12 to 15 months. A national disciplinary database has been created by ASOGB. Ms. Ornelas reported that the NCARB Committee Summit is being held virtually December 4 – 5, 2020. Ms. McMullen reported that she has applied for a Board position. CLARB is focusing on stakeholder equity as well as applicants outside the United States. By motion of Ms. Limbird, seconded by Mr. Johnson, the Board voted to accept the report.

- B. PE/PS Committee – Chair Haverkamp
 - 1. Report of Committee Actions
 - 2. Discussion of Committee Items
 - 3. Receipt of Committee Report

Mr. Haverkamp reported the Committee reviewed nine applications of which seven were approved and two marked incomplete. An informal request by an applicant was given more guidance. By motion of Mr. Lilak, seconded by Mr. Poole, the Board voted to accept the report.

- C. Director's Report

Mr. Karns reported that the new regulations reviewed at the September 2020 meeting are effective as of today. A newsletter will be published next week. Online applications are moving forward. Mr. Karns reported that we anticipate the first application (PS by Exam) to be available within the next week. Mr. Karns mentioned that the Board is financially stable, and income is up from this same point last year.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Kansas Minimum Standards KSLs Approval

By motion of Mr. Haverkamp, seconded by Mr. Lilak, the Board voted to move forward with the process to adopt the Kansas Minimum Standards by reference as presented by KSLs with the updated dates as recommended by Ms. Andaya. By motion of Mr. Haverkamp, seconded by Mr. Johnson, the Board voted to instruct staff to proceed with updating the corresponding regulation and send for approval.

- B. Kansas Geological Society Letter

The letter submitted by the Kansas Geological Society was reviewed and discussed by the Board.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Online Applications Update

The first online application, Professional Surveyor by Exam, will be available to the public within the next week.

B. Government Email Usage

Mr. Karns reiterated to the members the importance of utilizing their government email instead of a personal email. The next meeting will be held by TEAMs and a government email is required to attend.

C. NCEES President's Assembly Discussion

Ms. McMullen and Mr. Karns plan to attend the virtual meeting on January 29, 2021.

D. Joel Wegele Application/Complaint Discussion

By motion of Mr. Haverkamp, seconded by Mr. Graham, the committee voted to conditionally reinstate Mr. Wegele's license. Mr. Wegele will be required to provide quarterly reports of any work he signs and stamps for one year. He will be required to appear before the board at the end of the year to lift the restriction.

E. Strategic Planning/Retreat Discussion

Ms. McMullen lead discussion regarding a strategic planning retreat. Members of the Board agreed the Board should participate. Ms. McMullen and Mr. Karns will discuss the idea more in detail and present more information to the Board at the next meeting.

F. Jack Poole Discussion

Mr. Poole lead a discussion regarding Fire Protection. He will bring more information to the next meeting for the Board's consideration.

XI. APPROVAL FOR ATTENDANCE AT EVENTS

By motion of Mr. Wimmer, seconded by Mr. Johnson, the Board voted to approve Mr. Louis to attend the ASBOG meeting in April 2021.

XIII. ADJOURN

By motion of Mr. Johnson seconded by Mr. Poole, the Committee adjourned at 12:36pm.