

Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters

Board Meeting

August 10, 2011

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters was held on August 10, 2011 at the Professional Licensing Boards office in Macon, GA. Chairman James Frederick Allen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

A quorum was established with members present being: Chairman, James Frederick Allen; Leonard L. Kinsley, Vice Chair; John Britt and W. Dale Greene.

Others present were as follows: Steve Lindsey, Executive Director; Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General via teleconference and Melanie Brown, Board Support Specialist.

Approval of Minutes:

Dale Greene moved, John Britt seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2011 meeting.

Executive Director's Report:

Mr. Lindsey introduced himself and the board staff present, while expressing his eagerness to work with each member of the Board. A general overview of his section's structure from a processing standpoint was also detailed by Mr. Lindsey in an effort to familiarize those members present with the new section's staff and methods of operating.

Other Business:

Chairman Allen led discussion surrounding buying and selling timber and suggested a future forum be scheduled to include a representative from the Georgia Real Estate Commission. This group dialogue would aid in identifying an agreed upon scope of practice for Registered Foresters and other industry stakeholders. Dale Greene agreed that such dialogue is needed, but should also include real estate appraisers. Mr. Greene suggested that the Board review compliance cases to identify those that would offer support to the Board's scope of practice views. Steve Lindsey will contact Enforcement to obtain the materials. Assistant Attorney General Janet Jackson offered the resources of her office to assist in scheduling the dialogue session.

Chairman Allen informed those present that board dues in the amount of \$100 have been paid to ASBORF.

John Britt reported on having attended the ASBORF annual meeting and urged more members to participate in the June 2012 meeting to be held in Charleston, SC. Mr. Britt also questioned whether the Forestry Act allowed for some type of limited license recognition agreement between states.

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Executive Session:

John Britt moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications, complaints, and investigations, as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h). Dale Greene seconded the motion. The motion was carried by Chairman James Frederick Allen; Leonard L. Kinsley, Vice Chair; John Britt and W. Dale Greene. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on the matters discussed and to continue with the public session.

Applications:

The Board reviewed the Registered Foresters licensed since the last Board meeting. A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to ratify approval of the following applicants to take the Forester Registration examination:

Applicant #	Name	Obtained by Method
1293435	Goodman, Joshua Luke	Examination
1301669	Hirko, Andrew Ronald	Examination
1309761	Holman, III, John Lindsay	Examination

A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to ratify the following licenses issued administratively:

License#	Name	Issue Date	Obtained by Method
RF002894	Hamsley, William Danny	06/24/2011	Examination
RF002895	Long, David Scott	06/28/2011	Examination
RF002896	Finlayson, Robin Lawrence	07/25/2011	Examination
RF002893	Lawson, Jason Edward Carl	05/24/2011	Examination

A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to ratify reinstatement of licensure for the following:

License#	Name	Issue Date
RF001777	Leach, Kenneth Shelby	06/28/2011
RF002577	Kimbell, Jason Gary	08/09/2011
RF002217	Griner, Jr., Arthur Guinn	07/21/2011
RF002285	Brantley, Hugh Wesley	07/21/2011

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A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to deny licensure to the following, due to the applicant's education failing to meet the Board's minimum education requirements:

• 1306698	J H S
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A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to approve a reinstatement of licensure for the following, pending the applicant providing the board staff proof of their CFE certificate:

• 1305963	D E N
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A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to deny licensure to the following, due to the applicant's work experience not relating to that of a Registered Forester:

• 1100586	J T C
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A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to overturn its original decision and approve the following applicant for licensure by reason of appeal:

• 1246014	Foskey, Jack R., Jr.
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A motion was made by John Britt, seconded by Leonard L. Kinsley, and the Board voted to table the following application for licensure until December 2011 for further review:

• 1264529	T W T
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John Britt moved, Leonard L. Kinsley seconded, and the Board voted to accept the report of pending cases presented by the Attorney General.

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John Britt moved, Leonard L. Kinsley seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Cognizant Member's recommendations on the following cases:

• FOR110002	Research status of case
• FOR110003	Close, no violations
• FOR060046	No response, correspondence was faxed and mailed to respondent
• FOR100002 FOR100005 FOR100006	Check on case status, license should be surrendered, but licensee shows on CE Audit list

The next meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters will be held November 9, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. at the Professional Licensing Boards office in Macon, GA.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Minutes were approved at the November 9, 2011 meeting.