

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION  
FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS  
Board Meeting: May 20, 2005  
Minutes Approved by Board on August 5, 2005**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held on Friday, May 20, 2005, at the Office of the Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

**The following Board members were present:**

William Calvin Hayes, Chairman and Consumer Member  
Benjamin S. Persons, Vice Chairman and Geologist  
Stanley Bearden, Geologist  
James W. Furlow, Geologist  
Dr. William McLemore, Geologist and Ex-Officio Member

**Others present:**

Gwyn H. Ridley, Executive Director  
Annie Ruth Parks, Applications Specialist  
Wanda Coggins, Board Secretary  
Wanda Jackson, Examination Unit  
Jackie Turner, Investigations Unit  
Mollie Fleeman, Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards  
Laura Meadows, Assistant Secretary of State

Chairman Hayes established a quorum was present at 9:30 a.m. and called the meeting to order.

Mr. Furlow made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2004 meeting.

Mr. Persons seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Meadows and Ms. Fleeman met with the Board and discussed various topics of information.

Mr. Hayes made a motion to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A.43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigative matters and to receive an investigative report. Mr. Furlow seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board Members Bearden, Furlow, Hayes, Persons and McLemore. The Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

**Applications:**

Ms. Parks presented Geology applications for Board review. Dr. McLemore made a motion to **approve** applications as presented. Mr. Furlow seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The following applicant was **disapproved** to take Part I and Part II of the ASBOG National Examination. The applicant did not meet the educational requirements:

Charles W. McCrackin

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The following applicant was **approved** to take PART II (Practice of Geology) of the ASBOG National Examination pending verification of additional work experience prior to the examination:

Kelly B. Adams

The following applicants were **approved** for registration by Reciprocity:

James K. Ashworth  
Scott Edward Davies  
Brian K. Fowler  
John M. Long  
Neil Allen Pearce  
Kirk Brown Pollard  
Kathleen Ann Roush

The following applicant was **disapproved** for registration by Reciprocity:

Susan Elizabeth Kelly

The following licensees were **approved** for reinstatement of an expired license:

Richard F. Pharr, Sr.	#PG000257
William F. Goforth	#PG001211

The following licensees were **disapproved** for reinstatement of an expired license but were approved to take PART II (Practice of Geology) of the ASBOG National Examination:

Richard A. Esposito	#PG000860
Robert Scott Nolter	#PG000875
Kevin M. Prochaska	#PG000973

Mr. Furlow made a motion to **approve** applications licensed since last review. Mr. Persons seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Professional Geologists Licenses Issued Since Last List Reviewed**

License Number	Name	License Date	License Method
PG001783	Adam W. Heft	12/27/2004	Reciprocity – MI
PG001784	John M. Bartos, Jr.	04/28/2005	Examination
PG001785	Douglas Clayton Farmer	04/28/2005	Examination
PG001786	DeAnna C. Gettler	04/28/2005	Examination
PG001787	Randa R. Harris	04/28/2005	Examination
PG001788	Tommy Alan Jordan	04/28/2005	Examination
PG001789	Kenneth E. Nye	04/28/2005	Examination

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PG001790	David J. Settles	04/28/2005	Examination
PG001791	Bert J. Smith	04/28/2005	Examination
PG001792	Berkley J. Tracy	04/28/2005	Examination

**Professional Geologists Licenses Reinstated Since Last List Reviewed**

License Number	Name	Date Reinstated
PG000981	Jeffries Blunt de Graffenried, Jr.	12/27/2004

**Written Requests:**

**Nicole A. Heller:** The Board considered a request to transfer fees for the March examination to the October examination. Dr. McLemore made a motion to reaffirm ASBOG's policy and **disapprove** the request for transferring the paid fees to the next exam. Mr. Bearden seconded the motion. Mr. Persons abstained. The motion was approved with a majority vote.

**Lisa M. Stewart:** The Board reviewed correspondence requesting reinstatement of license. Mr. Furlow made a motion to **disapprove** the request for reinstatement and to advise that an official application for reinstatement must be submitted for consideration. The Board also noted that passage of Part II of the ASBOG exam is a requirement of reinstatement. Mr. Bearden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

**Investigative Report:**

The Board heard a report from the Investigative Unit on the following enforcement case:

**GEO050017:** Mr. Furlow made a motion to close the case. Mr. Persons seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Examination Report:**

The Examination Unit presented the 2004 Annual Report for the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists and the examination summary for the March 2005 exam.

**Executive Director's Report:**

The Executive Director updated the Board on various topics of interest including the following items:

- Financial Disclosure Statements
- Renewal Notifications

**Correspondence, Inquiries and Information Items:**

The Board reviewed the Board Cost versus Revenue Analysis report for fiscal year 2003 and 2004.

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The Board reviewed the 1994 “Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Practice of Engineering and Practice of Geology”.

The Board considered a questionnaire from ASBOG regarding continuing education. Mr. Furlow made a motion to not complete the questionnaire and to respond that the Board believes it is not necessary to mandate a continuing education requirement and does not support the addition of a continuing education requirement currently or in the future. Mr. Bearden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed other miscellaneous correspondence and information that did not require a vote or action.

**Propose To Adopt Rules 265-1-.04, 265-1-.05, 265-1-.07, 265-3-.01, 265-4-.03, 265-4-.04, 265-4-.06 and 265-4-.09, 265-5-.04, 265-7-.02, 265-7-.04, 265-8-.02, 265-8-.04 and 265-9-.01:**

At its meeting on May 20, 2005, the Geologists Board voted to post 265-1-.04, 265-1-.05, 265-1-.07, 265-3-.01, 265-4-.03, 265-4-.04, 265-4-.06, 265-4-.09, 265-5-.04, 265-7-.02, 265-7-.04, 265-8-.02, 265-8-.04 and 265-9-.01. The Board discussed revisions to its rules and considered modifications to Rules 265-1-.04, 265-1-.05, 265-1-.07, 265-3-.01, 265-4-.03, 265-4-.04, 265-4-.06, 265-4-.09, 265-5-.04, 265-7-.02, 265-7-.04, 265-8-.02, 265-8-.04 and 265-9-.01. Dr. McLemore made a motion to propose adoption of these rules and to post and hold a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed rules and to consider adoption of the rules following the public hearing. In its consideration of the proposed rules, the Board stated that the formulation and adoption of these rules do not impose additional regulatory cost on any licensee that cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the statutes that are the basis for the proposed rules. Further, the Board stated that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of these statutes to adopt or implement differing actions for business as listed in O.C.G.A. Section 50-13-4(a)(3)(A)(B)(C) and (D) and that the formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned, and operated and dominant in the field of Geologists. Mr. Bearden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Other Business:**

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Marie S. Urquhart  
Recorded by Board Secretary

Gwyn H. Ridley  
Reviewed by Executive Director

William Calvin Hayes  
Chairman

Mollie L. Fleeman  
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Division Director

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**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING  
OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now William Calvin Hayes, the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all over aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On May 20, 2005 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.

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4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:

OCGA 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19(h)

5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:

RECEIPT OF AND DELIBERATIONS REGARDING APPLICATIONS
AND APPLICATION INFORMATION AND DELIBERATIONS
REGARDING INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT MATTERS;
RECEIPT OF THE RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

William Calvin Hayes  
PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 20th day of May, 2005

Wanda Coggins  
Notary Public