

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION
FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
Board Meeting: February 2, 2011**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held on Wednesday, February 2, 2011, in Conference Room 102 at the office of Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

Jerry M. German, Chairman and PG
Lillian Furlow, PG
Benjamin S. Persons, PG
James L. Kennedy III, Ex- Officio Member and PG
Randy Kath, PG
William E. Riley, PG

Board Members Absent:

William Calvin Hayes, Consumer Member

Others present:

Darren Mickler, Executive Director
Sandra Mays, Licensing Analyst
Kimberly Fransioli, Board Support Specialist
Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General via teleconference

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

Mr. Person made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2010 Board meeting. Mr. Riley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Person made a motion to enter into **Executive Session** at 9:33 a.m. 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. Ms. Furlow seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board Members Furlow, German, Kath, Riley, Kennedy, and Person. The Board concluded **Executive Session** at 10:36 a.m. in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Applications:

The Board approved the following applicant(s) for licensure by reciprocity:

- PG002047 Harry Clyde Atwood Florida

Examination

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The following applicant(s) were approved to take PART I (Fundamentals of Geology) and PART II (Practice of Geology) of the ASBOG® National Examination:

- Applicant # 1271828

Reinstatements

Mr. Person made a motion to approve the following applicants for reinstatement. Mr. Riley seconded this motion. The motion carried unanimously. The following applicants were approved for reinstatement by fine:

- Applicant # 1271392
- Applicant # 1018493

The following staff members presented reports to the Board:

The Board Attorney provided a written status report on cases referred for action. Mr. Riley made a motion to accept the Board Attorney's report. Mr. Kennedy seconded this motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Report:

Mr. Mickler advised that the budget issues are still not clear.

Other Business:

Request for Reciprocity with Texas

The Board discussed reciprocity issues with Texas. Dr. Kennedy will draft a letter and the Board will vote at the next meeting.

New Policy regarding Reinstatements

Mr. Riley made a motion to adopt the following Policy. Ms. Furlow seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

All applicants seeking reinstatement of their registration following the license being administratively revoked for having an expired license for greater than 4 years shall be required to pass as a minimum the PG examination, unless the applicant has continued their license in force from another acceptable jurisdiction without interruption and in compliance with current Continuing Education requirements for a licensed Georgia registrant during the time when the Georgia licensure was not active.

Request for suspension of license for default student loan

Pursuant to request from the Department of Human Resources (DHR) and the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation (GHEAH) Mr. Riley moved, Ms. Furlow seconded, and the

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Board voted unanimously that the Board suspends or denies the following licenses/applications to practice for failure to repay a student loan or child support obligation and further move that this suspension/denial will cease upon receipt by the Joint Secretary/Division Director of a "Notice of Release" from the Department of Human Resources (DHR) or the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation (GHEAC):

- PG001511 Gina York

Adjournment

There being no further business, at 10:54 a.m., Mr. Person moved to adjourn. Mr. Kath seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Recorded by Board Secretary

Reviewed by Executive Director

Chairman

These minutes were signed on _____

These minutes were approved on _____