

The State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, General Contractor Division, met on **August 17, 2005** at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia for the purpose of conducting business.

Members Present:

- Roger Huggins, Chairman
- Timothy Ansley
- Dan Cash
- David Cyr
- Tommy Holder
- Hoppy Hopkins
- Morgan Wheeler

Others Present:

- Reagan Dean, Board Attorney
- Kyle Floyd, Executive Director
- Gina Thompson, Board Secretary
- Mollie Fleeman, Division Director
- Mark Woodall, AGC
- Tyler Newman, HBAG

Chairman Huggins established that a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.

In regards to the Examination Exemption, O.C.G.A. §43-41-8, a motion was made by Morgan Wheeler, seconded by Timothy Ansley, and the Division voted unanimously to accept the rules as provided by Kyle Floyd, Executive Director, subject to discussion.

Pursuant to discussion, a suggestion was made to change the word “administered” to “required” in the rules on examination exemption of an individual applying for licensure and of a qualifying agent applying for licensure, as follows: “... examination required by the governing authority, ...”.

Tommy Holder made a suggestion to change the requirement for an appropriate reference letter from a licensed architect to a Georgia registered architect.

A suggestion was also made to change the rule on Examination Exemption as an individual applying due to Georgia experience from requiring an owner’s happiness with the project to the owner’s satisfaction with the project. Also, it was requested to change the language requiring a reference letter from an architect or an owner to both an architect and an owner.

A suggestion was made to incorporate the net worth amount with the line of credit amount and to make reference in the rule.

Chairman Huggins suggested to rescind the previous motion to accept the rules as provided by Kyle Floyd. Morgan Wheeler made a motion to rescind and Timothy Ansley seconded and the Division voted unanimously to accept to rescind.

Chairman Huggins proposed to create tiers to accommodate the smaller volume general contractor as to net worth, as follows:

1. \$15,000 net worth is required for business organizations or individuals to perform single projects per permit in amounts up to \$300,000. This net worth tier requires no line of credit.
2. \$75,000 net worth is required for business organizations or individuals to perform single projects per permit in amounts up to \$1,500,000. This net worth tier requires a \$25,000 line of credit.
3. \$150,000 net worth is required for business organizations or individuals to perform single projects per permit in unlimited amounts. This net worth tier requires a \$50,000 line of credit.

Chairman Huggins suggested a motion be made to accept the tiers listed above as a requirement for licensure by the General Contractor Division. Tommy Holder made the motion, Morgan Wheeler seconded, and the Division voted unanimously to accept the tiers.

Chairman Huggins suggested a motion be made to accept the amounts for the lines of credit for licensure by the General Contractor Division. Tommy Holder made the motion, Morgan Wheeler seconded, and the Division voted unanimously to accept the lines of credit amounts.

A suggestion was made to check with the Georgia Department of Revenue for direction in having applicants provide proof of tax payments three years preceding application for licensure.

There being no further business to come before the Division, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 A.M. on August 17, 2005 by the Chairman.