

The State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors met on **September 21, 2005** at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia for the purpose of conducting business.

**Members Present:**

- Allen Richardson, Chairman
- Roger Huggins, Vice Chairman
- Bob Barnard
- Dan Cash
- Mark Herbert
- Melissa Henderson
- Guy Middleton
- Philip Thayer
- Timothy Ansley
- David Cyr
- Tommy Holder
- Hoppy Hopkins
- Morgan Wheeler

**Others Present:**

- Kyle Floyd, Executive Director
- Gina Thompson, Board Secretary
- Reagan Dean, Board Attorney
- Bettie Sleeth, HBAG
- Tyler Newman, HBAG
- Mark Woodall, AGC
- Mike Dunham, AGC
- Harold Thomas, ICC
- Dave Nelson, ICC
- Mike Martin, City of Valdosta
- Chuck Marceaux, NASCLA
- Penny Round, CPHB
- Sean Doughtie, CPHB
- Wiley King, City of St. Mary's
- Glen Sellers, Decatur County Builders Official
- Bill Bryan, Board of Const & Appeals – Decatur County
- Darren Micker, Executive Director of Construction Board
- Jesse Morado, Renovation Coach Consultant
- Jim Miglionico, President of Classic Remodeling & Design, Inc

Chairman Richardson established that a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order at 9:08 A.M.

A motion was made by Mark Herbert, seconded by Dan Cash, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the Board's August 24, 2005 minutes.

A motion was made by Tommy Holder, seconded by Morgan Wheeler, and the General Contractor Division voted unanimously to approve the General Contractor Division's Conference Call minutes of September 15, 2005.

Chairman Richardson asked Jim Miglionico to speak. He spoke on behalf of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) and discussed their program. Jesse Morado of NARI accompanied Mr. Miglionico. A brochure was left so board members could view the information of NARI.

Chairman Richardson asked Dave Nelson with International Code Council (ICC) to speak. A brochure was provided to each board member while Mr. Nelson discussed the history and the reasons the Board should choose ICC as the program for testing. Mr. Nelson introduced Harold Thomas of ICC to continue speaking on the many services available for licensing of contractors and the options that are available for taking the exam through their program.

Chairman Richardson asked Chuck Marceaux from the National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies (NASCLA) to speak. A brochure of NASCLA was given to each board member for review. Chuck Marceaux discussed the history and resources offered for testing and informed the Board that a test is not currently available from NASCLA but is being developed.

Kyle Floyd, Executive Director, introduced Darren Mickler, Executive Director of the Construction Industry Licensing Board. Darren Mickler spoke on the concerns of testing applicants, prequalification, and the advantages of computer exams.

Chairman Richardson asked Wiley King from the City of St. Mary's to speak. Mr. King spoke on using ICC for testing applicants in his jurisdiction for certification. He provided to the board the ordinance used by the City of St. Mary's. He requested that the builders in his jurisdiction be grandfathered for licensure with their present certification. Chairman Richardson responded to Mr. King that the board only has the authority to exempt applicants from examination and that applicants must meet all other requirements for licensure.

Chairman Richardson asked Bill Bryan from Decatur County to speak. Mr. Bryan discussed the history of the county's licensing. He requested that the builders in Decatur County be grandfathered for licensure with their present certification. Chairman Richardson responded to Mr. Bryan that the board only has the authority to exempt applicants from examination and that applicants must meet all other requirements for licensure.

Chairman Richardson asked Mike Martin from the City of Valdosta to speak. Mr. Martin spoke on behalf of the contractors of Valdosta and requested their contractors be grandfathered with their present certification received from ICC. Chairman Richardson responded to Mr. Martin that the board only has the authority to exempt applicants from examination and that applicants must meet all other requirements for licensure.

Kyle Floyd, Executive Director, presented a letter and email received from various jurisdictions. The City of Augusta included a registration ordinance with their letter. It was noted that Columbia County had similar requirements.

Chairman Richardson asked Penny Round and Sean Doughtie from Certified Professional Home Builder (CPHB) to speak. Mr. Doughtie presented the history of the CPHB program while Penny Round presented files of applicants to the board members to view as information that is required through the program.

The Board discussed the definition of “repair” and Chairman Richardson asked several members to discuss the definition with association representatives and report back to the board at the next meeting.

Kyle Floyd, Executive Director, discussed a letter from Todd Barney with questions on “repair” and other issues. Chairman Richardson asked Kyle Floyd to respond on behalf of the Board that a definition had not been determined by the board and the issues had not been resolved.

Chairman Richardson asked Kyle Floyd to draft, utilizing Chuck Marceaux’s assistance, a RFP for examination.

Chairman Richardson asked for the two divisions to divide for fifteen minutes to discuss each division’s application and note any necessary changes.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 P.M. on September 21, 2005 by the Chairman.

**Minutes prepared by:**

Regina F. Thompson, Board Secretary

**Reviewed/Edited by:**

Kyle Floyd, Executive Director

**Board approved October 5, 2005**