

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS
AND INTERIOR DESIGNERS
Board Meeting: March 9, 2007
Via Teleconference**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers was held Friday, March 9, 2007, via teleconference.

The following Board members were present:

Anne K. Smith, President and Architect
E. Camille Puckett, Vice President and Interior Designer
Andrew J. Pace, Consumer Member
Niles Bolton, Architect
David M. G. Maschke, Architect and Interior Designer
Laurie H. McRae, Interior Designer
Henry J. Mehserle, Jr., Architect

Others present:

Gwyn H. Ridley, Executive Director
Ruth Reece, Applications Specialist
Marie S. Urquhart, Board Secretary
Janet Wray, Board Attorney

President Smith established that a quorum was present at 2:00 p.m. and called the meeting to order.

The Board discussed proposed legislation - Senate Bill 237. The Board voted to take an official position on the proposed legislation as follows:

O.C.G.A. 43-4-11(c): (c) The applicant for a certificate of registration ~~who has met the educational and training requirements set forth in paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of subsection (b) of this Code section and~~ who has been registered as an architect by another jurisdiction shall hold a National Council of Architectural Registration Boards' certificate and a certificate of registration in such other jurisdiction, both of which shall be current and in good standing or shall hold a certification of registration in such other jurisdiction which shall be current and in good standing and have at least ten years of practical experience as the board, by regulations uniformly applied, shall deem appropriate.

Ms. Puckett made a motion that the Board is in favor of, and accepts the deletions to the code; however, the Board is not in favor of, and does not accept the proposed additions to the code. Mr. Mehserle seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

O.C.G.A. 43-4-18: (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law to the contrary, upon the board determining that a person is violating the provisions of Code Sections 43-4-14, 43-4-16 and 43-4-17, the board may ~~issue a cease and desist order prohibiting such person from further violating such Code section. A determination by the board may be made only after notice to such person is given and a hearing is held.~~ enter an order imposing one or both of the following penalties:

- (1) Issue a cease and desist order prohibiting such person from further violating such Code section.

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- (2) Impose a civil fine in an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for each violation, the amount of the penalty shall be based on the severity of the violation.

Mr. Maschke made a motion that the Board accepts the proposed changes. Mr. Bolton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

O.C.G.A. 43-4-20: The board shall post on the board's website information regarding law and rule changes, disciplinary actions taken by the board, and other information which the board deems to affect the regulation of the practice of architecture. Such information shall also be distributed, via electronic or other means, to all licensees and building officials on an annual basis.

Mr. Maschke made a motion that the Board accepts the proposed new code section. Mr. Bolton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Other Business:

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Marie S. Urquhart
Recorded by Board Secretary

Gwyn H. Ridley
Reviewed by Executive Director

Anne K. Smith
Chairman

These minutes were approved on April 6, 2007

These minutes were signed on April 6, 2007