

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION
FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS
Board Meeting: February 7, 2018
Open Session Minutes**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held on **Wednesday, February 7, 2018**, at the office of Professional Licensing Boards (PLB) Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

Mr. Ken Simonton, PG
Dr. Jim L. Kennedy, III, PG, ex-Officio
Mr. Ben Bentkowski, PG
Ms. Martha Carr, PG
Dr. Stephen Henderson, Consumer Member
Dr. Randy Kath, PG, Vice Chairman
Ms. Lillian J. Furlow, PG, Chairperson

Board Staff present:

Darren Mickler, Executive Director
Logan Malcom, Board Support Specialist
Janet Jackson, Senior Assistant Attorney General (Via teleconference)

Call to Order:

Chairperson Ms. Lillian Furlow established a quorum was present at 9:46 a.m. and called the meeting to order.

Open Session:

Approval of Open Session Minutes:

A draft of the Open Session minutes from November 15, 2017 was presented for additions or deletions. Dr. Randy Kath made a motion to accept the minutes with edits. Mr. Ben Bentkowski seconded that motion.

The Board Executive Director Darren Mickler presented a letter from State Representative Rick Williams. Attorney General Janet Jackson recommended that the Board respond to the letter by stating that the Board would take the request under consideration. Darren Mickler is to draft the response on Secretary of State (SOS) letterhead and send a copy of the letter to Board members.

The Board briefly discussed the ASBOG Counsel of Examiners Committee meeting and the annual gathering scheduled to be in Atlanta Georgia on April 5th-6th, 2018. The ASBOG annual field trip is April 7th, 2018.

The Board discussed legislation currently pending before the Georgia General Assembly, including anticipated legislation about fracking.

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Executive Session:

Dr. Randy Kath made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 10:24 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. Mr. Ken Simonton seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included: Chairperson Ms. Lillian Furlow, Dr. Jim Kennedy, Ms. Martha Carr, Dr. Stephen Henderson and Mr. Ben Bentkowski.

The Executive Session of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists meeting was closed at 11:09 a.m. and Chairperson Ms. Lillian Furlow declared the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists to be “open” pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Open Session

Approval of Executive Session Minutes:

Mr. Ben Bentkowski made a motion to approve the Executive Session minutes from the November 15, 2017 Board meeting with edits. Dr. Stephen Henderson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Licenses Issued November 15, 2017 – February 7, 2018:

The Board reviewed the following list of applicants that were previously reviewed and approved for licensure. Mr. Ben Bentkowski made a motion to ratify licenses issued from November 15, 2017 – February 7, 2018. Mr. Ken Simonton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PG002250	Kaylin Renee Dunbar
PG002251	Luke W Garland
PG002252	Andrew James Raysin
PG002253	Joju Abraham
PG002254	Mary Tressa Cooley
PG002255	Austin Godfrey Kelly
PG002256	Jeffrey Robert Madden
PG002257	Glenn Matthew Skawski
PG002258	Dirk Garrett Grahl
PG002259	Ellen Rose Price
PG002260	Jamie Davies Cox
PG002261	Larry Basilio
PG002262	Ross Tucker
PG002263	Edvins Albert Joniskan
PG002264	Jennifer Cardran Meek
PG002265	Michael Ryan McKeague

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PG002266	Mark Anthony Quarles
PG002267	Daniel Patrick Press

Applications:

Mr. Ben Bentkowski made a motion, Mr. Ken Simonton seconded and the Board accepted the vote to pre-approved the list of applicants for the Geology Exam for March 2018.

FG approval	PG approval	FG and PG approval
Jessie Robert Hughes APP#1808184	Gregory Pass APP#1172669	John Victor Hanna APP#1851800
John Benjamin Hodges APP#2567669	Christopher Tisdale APP#1244426	Kyle McKinney APP#2687135 (Oct exam)
Scott Karl Becker APP#2700848	David Dubose APP#2713043	Jordan Harris Caldwell APP#1776109
Eric Ewing Tate APP#2689619	Maurice James Fagan APP#2439333	Anthony Mbachu APP#2624808
Sami N Haas APP#2685382		Jerome A Partap APP#1024610
John Nelson Stapler APP#2653265		Jessica Loughman APP#2631538
Tyler Lee Hawkins APP#2655790		
Logan Edward Seagraves APP#2654284		
Christopher Matthew Cox APP#2711045		
Vanessa Ann Donnelly APP#2710183		
Robert Andrew Jackson APP#2710302		
Colby McVey Willis APP#2711002		
Nicholas Smith APP#2713058		
Nicolette Weaver APP#2713066		
Heather Alley APP#2713052		
James Burt (pending app fee)		
Jesse Pine APP#2711260		
Zachary Lawson APP#2713036		

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Glenda Dabela APP#2713041		
Felicia Harris APP#2713061		
Merideth McCoy APP#2713063		
Sydney O'Brien APP#2713018		
Colton Wheeler APP#2713074		
Bradley Edwards APP#2713481		
Tarah Monroe APP#2713179		
Christopher Tidwell APP#2713039		
Brandon Black APP#2713069		

Complaints:

There were no complaints presented to the Board at this time.

Attorney General Report:

Senior Assistant Attorney General Janet Jackson had no current/pending cases to present to the Board at this time.

Executive Director Report:

Executive Director Darren Mickler had no current/pending cases to present to the Board.

New Business:

The Board discussed the status of the proposed changes to the Board's statute that Dr. Randy Kath drafted and presented at the December 15, 2016 Board meeting.

The Board decided to re-elect the 2017 Board member officers for 2018:

Ms. Lillian Furlow, Chairperson
Dr. Randy Kath, Vice Chairman

Adjournment:

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There being no further business, at 11:11 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

The next Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists is scheduled for June 6, 2018 in Macon.

Minutes recorded by:

Logan Malcom, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Darren Mickler, Executive Director

Ms. Lillian Furlow, Chairperson

Darren Mickler, Executive Director

Minutes Approved On: June 6, 2018