

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION  
FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS  
Board Meeting: December 5, 2018  
Open Session Minutes**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held on **Wednesday, December 5, 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 Chairperson  
Ms. Lillian J. Furlow, PG, Chairperson

**Board Staff present:**

Mr. Darren Mickler, Executive Director  
Ms. Ava Walker, Licensure Analyst  
Ms. Janet Jackson, Senior Assistant Attorney General  
Ms. Alison Spencer, Senior Assistant Attorney General (teleconference)

**Absent Staff:**

Ms. Logan Malcom, Board Support Specialist

**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:**

The Board made no changes to the Agenda cover issues the Board members wished to discuss.

**Approval of Open Session Minutes:**

Chairperson Ms. Lillian Furlow presented a draft of the Open Session minutes from June 6, 2018. Ms. Martha Carr made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Ben Bentkowski seconded that motion.

Chairperson Lillian Furlow began the discussion of revising the Board's statutes, Rules, and Policies. The Board discusses some terminolog, the possibility of adding the Geology-In-Training designation, defining the private practice of geology, inactive status for licensure, and the reinstatement rules. No decisions were made, but the Board will draft revisions and continue the discussion over the next few meetings.

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The Board discussed the 2019 meeting dates without any changes.

The Board voted to re-elect the 2018 Board member officers for 2019:

Ms. Lillian Furlow, Chairperson

Dr. Randy Kath, Vice Chairperson

Vice Chairperson Dr. Randy Kath reported on the 2018 ASBOG examinations which led to a discussion of CBT (Computer Based Testing). He provided some information on what other states do and the benefits of CBT. He will be contacting different testing centers in Georgia to determine what will be best for Georgia applicants.

**Executive Session:**

Vice Chairperson Dr. Randy Kath made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 2:01 p.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§43-1-2(k), 43-1-19(h), and 50-14-3, to deliberate on applications and investigative matters and to receive investigative reports. Mr. Ben Bentkowski 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 Ken Simonton.

The Executive Session of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists meeting was closed at 2:36 p.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:**

Vice Chairman Dr. Randy Kath made a motion to approve the Executive Session minutes from the June 6, 2018 Board meeting. Mr. Ken Simonton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Licenses Issued June 6, 2018 – December 5, 2018:**

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The Board reviewed the following list of applicants that were previously reviewed and administratively approved for licensure. Ms. Martha Carr made a motion to ratify licenses issued from June 6, 2018 – December 5, 2018. Mr. Ben Bentkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

<b>license No</b>	<b>Licensee</b>
PG002275	Christopher Cicerale
PG002276	Joel Mark Coffman
PG002277	Christopher Jay Hoglund
PG002278	Benjamin Subhas Mark
PG002279	Benjamin Nathan Cole
PG002280	George Skala
PG002281	Philip James Campbell
PG002282	Michael David Massie
PG002283	Peter J Foster
PG002284	Jennifer M Miller
PG002285	Genna Koetter Olson
PG002286	Thomas Gerald Roller
PG002287	Gilbert Worth Rowland
PG002288	Clayton William Anderson

**Applications:**

Mr. Ben Bentkowski made a motion to approve the following application, Mr. Stephen Henderson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

APP2769277 – The applicant was approved to take the ASBOG Part I Fundamentals of Geology Examination.

**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:**

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Executive Director Darren Mickler had no current/pending cases to report to the Board at this time.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, at 2:51 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

The next Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologist is scheduled for March 6, 2019 in Macon.

Minutes recorded by:

Ms. Ava Walker, Licensure Analyst

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Ms. Darren Mickler, Executive Director

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Ms. Lillian Furlow, Chairperson

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Darren Mickler, Executive Director

Minutes Approved On: March 6, 2019