A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters was held on **Thursday**, **August 18**, **2022** via teleconference

## **Present Board Members:**

Brian Stone, Chairman John Godbee Grant Harvey Wade Hall, Vice Chairman Jesse Johnson Jim Langdale

## **Absent Board Members:**

None

## **Present Staff:**

Darren Mickler - Executive Director Ashley Foust – Licensure Supervisor Alison Spencer – Assistant Attorney General Logan Wilson – Board Support Specialist

## **Guests**

None

## **Open Session**

Chairman Brian Stone called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

Chairman Brian Stone welcomed our newest Board member Jim Langdale.

## **Approval of Open Session Minutes**

Chairman Brian Stone presented a draft of the April 14, 2022 Open Session Board Meeting minutes. Vice Chairman Wade Hall made a motion to approve the minutes. Grant Harvey seconded the motion, and the vote carried unanimously.

Darren Mickler spoke briefly regarding the new application process. John Godbee will work with Mr. Mickler to review the information and present it to the Board at a later date.

Darren Mickler spoke regarding the Boards fee schedule, and the Board considering making a few changes to the fees. Darren informed the board of our current fee schedule. Chairman Stone

suggested we review the fee schedule for other southeastern states and come back at the next meeting with any recommended adjustments to our fees. He assigned this task to Vice-Chairman Hall.

#### **Executive Session**

Vice Chairman Wade Hall made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 10:13 a.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A.43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications, complaints, investigative matters, and to receive investigative reports. John Godbee seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were all those members present including Chairman Brian Stone, Vice Chairman Wade Hall, Grant Harvey, John Godbee, Jim Langdale and Jesse Johnson.

The Executive Session of the Georgia State Board of Registered Foresters meeting was closed at 10:44 a.m. and Chairman Brian Stone declared the Georgia State Board of Registered Foresters to be "open" pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. The following Board Members were present: Chairman Brian Stone, Vice Chairman Wade Hall, John Godbee, Grant Harvey, Jim Langdale and Jesse Johnson.

## **Open Session**

Chairman Brian Stone declared the Board back in Open Session at 10:44 a.m.

#### **Applicants:**

<u>3019623</u> – Vice Chairman Wade Hall made a motion for the Board to deny the exam application per current Board rules. Vice Chairman Wade Hall will inform the applicant that the Board is currently working to revise the current rules so that anyone will be eligible to take the exam. John Godbee seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Darren Mickler spoke briefly regarding B.S. trying to reinstate his license.

#### **Complaints:**

There are no new/pending complaints to present at this time.

#### **Licenses Issued:**

Jesse Johnson made a motion and Grant Harvey seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to ratify the following licenses issued from April 14, 2022 – August 18, 2022.

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RF003073	James Nelson Kunes
RF003074	Austin James Dixon
RF003075	Sarah Taylor Welch

### **Attorney General's Report:**

Assistant Attorney General Alison Spencer presented the AG report during Executive Session. John Godbee made a motion for the Board to accept the AG Report. Grant Harvey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **Executive Director Report:**

Executive Director Darren Mickler briefed the Board on new computer system set backs, the Board staff continuing to work remotely and setting up rooms to have hybrid Board meetings.

## **Executive Session Minutes:**

Chairman Brian Stone presented a draft of the April 14, 2022 Executive Session Minutes. Jesse Johnson made a motion for the Board to accept the minutes. Grant Harvey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **Other Business:**

The Board spoke regarding the number of Registered Foresters in the State of Georgia.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on October 27, 2022 at 9:30 a.m,

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: Logan Wilson, Board Support Specialist Minutes reviewed and edited by: Darren Mickler, Executive Director

Brian Stone, Chairman Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters

Darren Mickler, Executie Director Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters

These minutes were accepted on: October 27, 2022