

# Georgia State Board of Registered Architects and Interior Designers

## Board Meeting Minutes

### April 5, 2024

<p><b><u>Board Members Present:</u></b>          Anne Smith, President          Melissa Cantrell, Vice President          Carol Pacheco          David Maschke          Ralph Raymond</p> <p><b><u>Board Members Absent:</u></b>          Kathy Cooper, Consumer          Cindy Trimble          Craig Buckley          Laurie Mcrae</p> <p><b><u>Attorney General Representative present:</u></b>          Alison Spencer, Assistant Attorney General, WEBEX</p>	<p><b><u>Board Staff Present:</u></b>          Laurie Elander, Executive Director          Iris Waller, Licensure Supervisor          Ava Walker, Licensure Analyst</p> <p><b><u>Visitors:</u></b>          None</p>
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**Open Session:**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registered Architects and Interior Designers was held at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA 31217. At 9:32 a.m., President Anne Smith established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

Melissa Cantrell, Vice President made a motion for the Board to approve the agenda as presented. Ralph Raymond seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Anne Smith, President presented a draft of the February 9, 2024, Board Meeting minutes and asked for any additions or deletions. Ralph Raymond moved to approve the minutes; Carole Pacheco seconded the motion carried unanimously.

Anne Smith, President recognized Iris Waller as new Licensure Supervisor effective April 1, 2024.

**Licenses Issued**

David Maschke made a motion, Melissa Cantrell, Vice President seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the licenses issued, reinstated, applicants approved to take the ARE's between February 6, 2024, and April 1, 2024 in accordance with Board Rules and Policies.

License Number	Licensee
ID001076	Katie Elizabeth Moulder
ID001077	Milissa Anne Pitel

License Number	Licensee
RA017528	Paul Robinson Massengill, III
RA017529	Douglas Burton White

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ID001078	Jill Elizabeth Slavinsky
ID001079	Michael Anthony Ruggiano
ID001080	Maria E Hernandez
RA017496	Francis B Ryan, Jr.
RA017497	Christopher Fogarty
RA017498	Gilberto Javier Torres
RA017499	Eric Gresla
RA017500	Scott Buehler
RA017501	Timothy M Lott
RA017502	Jennifer Smith Shail
RA017503	Elizabeth Parham Johnson
RA017504	Paul Fallin
RA017505	Jennifer Leigh Garcia
RA017506	Aaron Robert Coffman
RA017507	Ben Aaron Hokkanen
RA017508	Heather Christine Nifong
RA017509	Christopher Caverley Gunter
RA017510	Jane E Lee
RA017511	William D Chilton
RA017512	Mark Aaron Daniels
RA017513	Eric Stephen Weflen
RA017514	Edward Henry Einem
RA017515	Sharla Livingston
RA017516	Paul Nielsen
RA017517	Jamal K Shaukat
RA017518	Cyrus Noshirwan Cowasjee
RA017519	MARK JAMES ZGODA
RA017520	Noah Michael Tolson
RA017521	Kiet Tuan Nguyen
RA017522	Kenneth G Masden
RA017523	Daniel Gomez Potdevin
RA017524	Mary Tiffany Beckstine
RA017525	Dieter A Borrell
RA017526	Aavart Patel
RA017527	Wesley Robert Walls

RA017530	Bradley Charles Williams
RA017531	Joseph Ahmadi
RA017532	Dyesha Holmes
RA017533	Gary Sadler
RA017534	Radwan Madani
RA017535	Chad D Michel
RA017536	Leslie Bristow Mather
RA017537	Kevin Chad Coulter
RA017538	Moises V Gonzalez
RA017539	Julia Starr Sanford
RA017540	Robin Cornel
RA017541	Brad Crofts
RA017542	Kristen Cullen
RA017543	Stephen E Baker
RA017544	James Daniel McNamee
RA017545	Derek Bo Hagerman
RA017546	ROBERT RICCARDI
RA017547	Jeffrey Scott Moneypenny
RA017548	Arlenne Gil
RA017549	Aaron J Dearth
RA017550	Michael Brandon Litton
RA017551	Roger H Seifter
RA017552	Wayne G Dietrich
RA017553	Adam Semel
RA017554	Oelver Thorarinsson
RA017555	Jacob Hoff Bodell
RA017556	Amy Cheever
RA017557	Charles J Lachanos
RA017558	Yash Patel
RA017559	Jinger Tapia
RA017560	Joyce Yi Gemarino
RA017561	John Mark Crawford
RA017562	Nicholas Steven Sullivan
RA017563	Hillary Crosby

**Licenses Reinstated:**

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License Number	Licensee
RA013545	Albin Peyron Spangler
ID000576	Amy Marie Boyett
RA013987	Catherine Elizabeth S Morris
RA015920	Christopher J Profeta
RA013571	Craig James Almeleh
RA015271	Darren Machulsky
RA012138	Feng Lu
RA015608	Francisco J Herrera
RA011321	Frank J Greene
ID000301	Jeannetta Davis Jordan
RA011176	Justin M Hughes
RA013311	Larry Stephen Kirchner
RA015387	Narra Rose Pierce
RA014041	Neil J Tucker
RA010380	Paul Drew Hoover
RA007593	Robert Allison Franklin
RA012988	Robert H Blau
RA006673	Stephen Floyd Overcash
RA006617	Tracy Selfe Carusi
RA010353	Wynn L Warner

**Applicants approved to take the A.R.E.'S**

Applicant Number	Applicant Initials
3139346	M.A.
3140519	D.L.
3141368	M.S.
3141373	P. P.
3142240	L. T. B.
3143544	J. P.
3146054	S.I.
3138886	R. F.
3138852	E. V. P.
3138729	N. L.
3140245	L. D.
3139895	M. R.

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3141512	T. N.
3141247	K. C.
3141397	T. G.
3142397	S. S.
3142606	T. D. L.
3141721	M. B.
3142901	K. Y.
3121751	A. T.
3143541	B. X.
3137590	A. W.
3144431	E. T.
3144609	J. H.
3145296	M. L.
3145732	S. E.
3146062	C. T.

**NCARB Regional Summit:**

Anne Smith, President spoke about some of the resolutions being voted on at the NCARB Regional Summit meeting that took place in March in Savannah, GA. One of the resolutions to reduce number of regions to open a new at Large seat. There was a lot of discussion and disagreement over the resolution to reduce the number of regions. Changes of the National Board and the Realignment. Anne Smith is on the credentials committee which oversees the election process. The candidate pool for the new at large position is made up of 10 candidates, and 2 will be elected as the new at large directors. Melissa Cantrell, Alison Spencer, Laurie Elander, Ralph Raymond, and Carol Pacheco gave a short description on their experience at the NCARB Regional Summit. Discussed the alternate pathways to licensure as a Registered Architect.

**Executive Session:**

Carole Pacheco moved, Ralph Raymond seconded, and the Board voted to enter Executive Session at 10:08 a.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h) to deliberate on applications, complaints, and to receive the Attorney General Report.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, Anne Smith, President declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq at 11:13 a.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

**Open Session:**

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Ralph Raymond moved, Melissa Cantrell, Vice President seconded, and the motion was carried by the Board to ratify the following recommendations made during Executive Session:

**February 9, 2024 Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes:** Approve

#### **Applications:**

3116169: Approve

3130556: Approve

3134202: Approve

3112444: Table- need additional information

3137615: Approve

3122778: Table

3129998: Table

3135577: Table

3130667: Table

3137295: Approve

#### **Complaints:**

ARCH220003: Refer to Attorney General's Office for consent order and \$10,000 fine. License suspension of a minimum of one year.

ARCH240007: Refer to Attorney General's Office for a Cease and Desist with a fine of \$1,500, certified letter written by the Attorney General's Office to remove all language from website that implies this person is an Architect.

ARCH240005: Table and request additional information from the complainant. If no response after two attempts, close for lack of response from complainant.

ARCH240002: Close-no response from complainant.

ARCH240010: Table-pending response from complainant will place to review at the next meeting.

ARCH220006: Table-request additional information from complainant.

ARCH240009: Refer to Attorney General's Office for a cease and desist with a \$1,500.00 fine for using the seal of a Registered Architect without permission or knowledge of the Registered Architect.

#### **Attorney General Report:**

Nothing to report.

#### **Executive Director Report:**

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Executive Director Laurie Elander updated the Board on the new GOALS system. Go live date for these license types has been pushed out to an undetermined later date.

**Other Business:**

Proposed Rule Committee meeting scheduled for June 5, 2024 after the regular meeting. Attendees are Ralph Raymond, Melissa Cantrell, and Carole Pacheco.

There was discussion of making a grid of violations, fines and disciplinary actions to be used by the members to stay consistent when taking disciplinary action against applicants and licensees.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on June 5, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: Thishilyn Stubbs, Board Support Specialist  
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Laurie Elander, Executive Director

  
Anne Smith, President

  
Laurie Elander, Executive Director

These minutes were approved on: Wednesday, June 5, 2024

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AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specified exemptions relied upon. O.C.G. A. 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meetings in question.

Comes Anne K. Smith, the Board President identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and subject to penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On June 5, 2024, this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of members present voted to close the meeting or a portion hereof of the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for closure of this meeting was: O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k).
5. The subjects discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are as follows:

Applications and other personal information submitted by the applicants, information, Favorable or unfavorable, submitted by a reference source concerning an applicant; and Deliberations of the Board with respect to an application, an examination, a complaint, an Investigation, or a disciplinary proceeding.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Anne K. Smith  
PRESIDING OFFICER

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5<sup>th</sup>  
Day of June, 2024.

Laurie H. Elander  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

