

Georgia State Board of Professional Geologists

Board Meeting Minutes

September 25, 2024

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Professional Geologists met on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 via Webex.

<p><u>Board Members Present:</u> Elizabeth "Allison" Keefer, PG, Chairman Pamela Gore, PG Kurt Hausner PG Maurizio Centis</p> <p><u>Absent Members:</u> Edward Rooks, PG, Vice-Chairman</p> <p><u>Attorney General Representative present:</u> None</p>	<p><u>Board Staff Present:</u> Laurie Elander, Executive Director Thishilyn Stubbs, Board Support Specialist</p> <p><u>Visitors:</u> None</p>
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Open Session:

At 9:48 a.m., Elizabeth "Allison" Keefer, Chairman established that there was a quorum present and called the meeting to order.

Pamela Gore made a motion for the Board to accept the agenda as presented. Kurt Hausner seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session:

Pamela Gore moved, Kurt Hausner seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 9:49 a.m. in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications .

At the conclusion of Executive Session, Allison Keefer, Chairman 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.*, at 9:55 a.m. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Open Session:

Kurt Hausner made a motion to approve the recommendations on the following made during Executive session. Maurizio Centis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Applications:

3132061- Approved

There being no further business, at 9:56 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.

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The next Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists is scheduled for November 13, 2024 via Webex.

Minutes recorded by:
Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Thishilyn Stubbs, Board Support Specialist
Laurie Elander, Executive Director

E. Allison Keefer

Elizabeth Keefer, Chairman

Signed with by Laurie Elander with expressed permission of Elizabeth Keefer

Laurie Elander

Laurie Elander, Executive Director

These minutes were approved on: Wednesday, November 13, 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 Elizabeth Keefer, the Board Chair 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 Registration for Professional Geologists.
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 November 13, 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.

Elizabeth Keefer
PRESIDING OFFICER

Elizabeth Keefer

Signed by Laurie Elander with the expressed permission of Elizabeth Keefer

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th
Day of February, 2024

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 11/2/2027

Iris Waller

NOTARY PUBLIC

Bibb County, GEORGIA

My Commission Expires 11/02/2027