STATE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR GEOLOGISTS AND SOIL SCIENTISTS OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 4, 2020

Meeting Location: The meeting occurred via remote access pursuant to 1 M.R.S. §403-A.

Time Meeting Began: 9:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Robert Marvinney called the meeting to order.

The following members were present:

Robert Marvinney

David Rocque

Irwin Novak

Ivan Fernandez

Daniel Bernier

Keith Taylor

Johanna Szillery

The following members were absent: None

Staff Present: Catherine Carroll, Board Administrator

Mary Lord, Licensing Supervisor Breanna Spencer, Board Clerk

AAG Present: Samantha Morgan, Esq.

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the agenda as written.

Motion: David Rocque Second: Ivan Fernandez

Motion Carried

III. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2020 meeting.

Motion: Irwin Novak Second: Johanna Szillery

Motion Carried

IV. LIMITED DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO BOARD'S ADMINISTRATOR

A motion was made to discuss the so-called Letter of Guidance (LOG) delegation document.

Motion: Ivan Fernandez Second: Keith Taylor Motion Carried

A motion was made to adopt the proposed document titled "Limited Delegation of Authority to the Board's Administrator to Review and Approve Renewal Applications and to Send Letters of Guidance to Licensees who Fail to Timely Report Criminal Convictions or Disciplinary Action to the Board Pursuant to 10 M.R.S. §8003-G" with the following amendments: add language in the Letter of Guidance that such letter would remain in a licensee's file for three years and that the language in the letter be modified to not suggest that the board voted on a particular issuance of a Letter of Guidance, and to add a condition in the delegation document that a Letter of Guidance would be issued if the licensee has no previous Letters of Guidance issued to them in the past three years, and that copies of issued Letters of Guidance are brought to the board's attention at their next meeting for purposes of informational sharing.

Motion: David Rocque Second: Keith Taylor Motion Carried

A motion was made to delegate the chairman to sign the final order, as amended.

Motion: Ivan Fernandez Second: Irwin Novak Motion Carried

BOARD ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Catherine Carroll reported that 13 applications are pending examination (National and/or local) and 3 pending review to be approved to sit. The large number of pending examination is a result of ASBOG and CSSE canceling the spring examination.

V. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None from the public.

VI. ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn at 10:30 a.m.

Motion: David Rocque Second: Ivan Fernandez

Motion Carried