

**IDAHO BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS**  
**Bureau of Occupational Licenses**  
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**Board Meeting Minutes of 8/12/2015**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dale Osterman - Chair  
Steven L Derricott  
Richard W Reed  
John Monks  
Dr. Mickey E Gunter

**BUREAU STAFF:** Tana Cory, Bureau Chief  
Dawn Hall, Administrative Support Manager  
Maurie Ellsworth, General Counsel  
Mitchell Toryanski, Legal Counsel  
Roger Hales, Attorney  
Deborah Sexton, Management Assistant  
Erin Anderson, Technical Records Specialist I

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM MDT by Dale Osterman.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Dr. Gunter made a motion to approve the minutes of 4/2/2015. It was seconded by Mr. Derricott. Motion carried.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Ms. Cory reminded the Board that any law changes must be submitted by the first of August, and any rule changes must be submitted by the third week in August.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Hall gave the financial report, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$53,760.75 as of 7/31/2015.

Ms. Hall presented to the Board the FY 2016 contract. Mr. Derricott made a motion to accept the contract and authorize the Chair to sign. It was seconded by Mr. Monks. Motion carried.

## **SUPREME COURT PRESENTATION**

Mr. Toryanski reviewed the Supreme Court decision regarding the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners, which has the potential to affect boards throughout the United States.

Mr. Toryanski presented new board member training. He discussed with the Board its role and requirements when serving on the Board.

## **OTHER**

The Board requested from the Bureau the Complaint Resolution chart that shows the process for complaints and investigations.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

To Do List – The Board reviewed the to do list and no action was taken.

## **REINSTATEMENT FEE ADJUSTMENT**

Mr. Toryanski briefly reviewed the changes the 2015 Legislature made to Idaho Code § 67-2614. This statute changed the reinstatement fee of a license to \$35 unless otherwise provided by Board rules. It also did away with the requirement that all past renewal fees must be paid in order to reinstate. Mr. Toryanski asked the Board if it would like to keep its reinstatement fee as \$25 or join with other Boards the Bureau serves which are working on an omnibus rule in response to the statute change. Mr. Derricott made a motion to update the reinstatement fee to \$35 and add the Board's request to the omnibus rule. It was seconded by Mr. Reed. Motion carried.

## **PROPOSED LAW/RULE CHANGES**

Mr. Hales reviewed with the Board the proposed rule changes in the application and examination process. After discussion and noted corrections, Dr. Gunter made a motion to accept the proposed rule changes and submit to the Governor's Office. It was seconded by Mr. Monks. Motion carried.

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

The Board discussed continuing education. Mr. Reed and Mr. Derricott agreed to form a CE sub-committee. Mr. Reed stated that he will speak with surrounding states at the National Association of State Boards of Geology, ASBOG, conference in regard to how they have approached CE. Dr. Gunter will forward to Mr. Reed the material that he has obtained so far from his research into CE. The Board agreed to discuss this matter at future meetings.

## **EXAMS**

The Board discussed the possibility of universities proctoring the Geology Fundamental and Practical exam. It was determined that the exam belongs to ASBOG, and therefore the permission to allow a university to proctor the exam should come from ASBOG. Dr. Gunter emailed ASBOG during the meeting to inquire about the exam being proctored at local universities. ASBOG replied that security was of extreme importance, but that the Board could offer the exam at a university if they choose.

## **NEWSLETTER**

Mr. Reed agreed to submit a rough draft of the proposed newsletter to Ms. Anderson by October 30, 2015.

## **OTHER**

Mr. Monks made a motion to mail a postcard notifying licensees about the proposed rule changes. The Chair will review the final draft prior to mailing. It was seconded by Mr. Derricott. Motion carried.

Ms. Hall discussed with the Board the boxes of archived records. She requested a Board member to review the material for any historical documentation that the Board may like to keep or forward to the Idaho Historical Society. A motion was made by Mr. Reed to authorize Mr. Derricott to review the material with Ms. Hall. It was seconded by Mr. Monks. Motion carried.

The Board discussed temporary applications. Idaho Code 54-2822 would need to be reviewed for possible changes to the temporary license laws. The Board tabled the matter for discussion at a later date.

The Board discussed the possibility of building a PowerPoint presentation to put on the Board's web page that will assist applicants with applying and the benefits of seeking licensure in Idaho as a Geologist. Mr. Monks made a motion for the Bureau staff to create this PowerPoint and present it to the Board at its January 2016 meeting. It was seconded by Mr. Derricott. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE BOARDS OF GEOLOGY**

Dr. Gunter made a motion to pay the membership fee to ASBOG of \$4500.00. It was seconded by Mr. Reed. Motion carried.

Dr. Gunter spoke about his attendance to the spring Council of Examiners. He discussed with the Board the method that COE uses to build the exam questions that are used in the national exams.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Monks made a motion that the Board go into executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law. The purpose of the Executive Session was to consider license application materials. It was seconded by Mr. Derricott. The vote was: Mr. Monks, aye; Mr. Derricott, aye; Mr. Gunter, aye; Mr. Reed, aye; and Mr. Osterman, aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Monks made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Mr. Derricott. The vote was: Mr. Monks, aye; Mr. Derricott, aye; Mr. Gunter, aye; Mr. Reed, aye; and Mr. Osterman, aye. Motion carried.

## **APPLICATIONS**

Mr. Derricott made a motion to approve the following for licensure by mutual recognition:

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| PGL-1525 | Elson Barnett |
| PGL-1403 | Jon Kaminsky  |

It was seconded by Mr. Monks. Motion carried.

Mr. Derricott made a motion to approve the following applicants to take the PG exam for licensure:

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| PGAP-1514 | Nathan Erickson |
| PGAP-1523 | Melody Studer   |

It was seconded by Dr. Gunter. Motion carried.

Mr. Derricott made a motion to approve the following applicants to take the FG and the PG exam for licensure:

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| PGAP-1526 | Gary Billman       |
| PGAP-1524 | Virginia Gillerman |
| PGAP-1529 | Dennis Feeny       |

It was seconded by Dr. Gunter. Motion carried.

Mr. Derricott made a motion to approve the following applicants to take the FG exam for licensure:

PGAP-1528     Robert Acevedo  
PGAP-1527     Cheryl Smith

It was seconded by Mr. Monks. Motion carried.

Mr. Derricott made a motion to approve the following for licensure under mutual recognition pending receipt of information and Chair review:

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#901140153

It was seconded by Mr. Monks. Motion carried.

Applicants that have been approved to take the FG and PG exam may schedule these exams consecutively or separately.

**NEXT MEETING** was scheduled for 1/27/2016 1:00 PM MDT.

## **ELECTION**

Mr. Monks made a motion to elect Mr. Reed as Chair and Mr. Osterman as Vice Chair. It was seconded by Mr. Derricott. Motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Monks made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 PM. It was seconded by Mr. Derricott. Motion carried.

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Richard W Reed

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Steven L Derricott

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Dale Osterman, Chair

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John Monks

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Tana Cory, Bureau Chief