

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS**

5802 Highland Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

**REGULAR MEETING OF LBOPG**

Tuesday, January 14, 2014, 9:00 A.M.

Louisiana Department of Justice

1885 North Third Street, Livingston Building

Sixth Floor Main Conference Room

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

**MINUTES**

1. Call to order 9:05 am
2. Roll call – JJ, DP, WF, KH, TP, Ethel Graham, legal counsel and 3 guest in attendance Art Johnson, Lloyd Hoover and Tim Seiler
3. Comments from Legal Counsel – It was brought to legal counsels attention by the treasurer of the board that all checks issued by the board must be signed by two board members and approved by the board, as stated in the law.
  - a. Motion to rescind previous motion detailing that checks over \$2000 be signed by two executive board members, moved by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Finley, motion carries unopposed.
  - b. Motion by Mrs. Pate to ratify check 1001 signed by Dr. Kumar for \$134.00 with the purpose of paying for 6 months of our post office box.
4. Discussion of application data – 1604 applications received
5. Committee reports –
  - a. Application committee – 3 applications presented and approved by committee chair Ms. Hardesty for approval; Mr. Johnston, Dr. Kumar and Mr. Finley.
  - b. Website update – the web developer has still not provided a test platform of the online application.

6. Discussion of continuing education requirements – similar discussion as to previous week. We will get the word out to the local geological societies that an ethics course each year may be needed by many users. We will also want to communicate with these organizations about the diversity and quality of the presentations offered.
7. Discussion of certificate – after review of the latest draft as presented by Mr. Finley,
  - a. Motion to accept license certificate by Mr. Finley, seconded by Mr. Johnston, carries unopposed.
8. Discussion of date of initial issuance of licenses - this point was taken care of by approving the first applications.
9. Other Business - Discussion about the various states of some problematic applications. Some were received with postmarks of January 1, 2014 or after. Some were received before the deadline but there are possible problems with the check payment. It was advised to return unopened all application received after the deadline. We will need to draft a letter to include with these referring to the portion of the law stating the deadline.
10. Future Meeting Dates – January 28<sup>th</sup>, February 11<sup>th</sup>.
11. Adjournment – moved by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mr. Finley, no one opposed.