## LOUISIANA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

9643 Brookline Ave., Ste. 101, Baton Rouge, LA 70809



## **REGULAR MEETING OF LBOPG**

Tuesday, January 12, 2016, 1:00 P.M. Louisiana Engineering Society Building Conference Room 9643 Brookline Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70809

## **MINUTES**

Chairman John Johnston called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2016. He then commenced Roll Call.

<u>Present</u>: John Johnston, Art Johnson, Daisy Pate, Lloyd Hoover, Todd Perry, Madhurendu Kumar, William Finley, Board Members. Thomas Klekamp, NOGS board member nominee. Harry Vorhoff, Legal Counsel. Georgeann McNicholas, Executive Secretary.

Absent: William Meaney, Board Members.

Quorum established. Roll Call sheet was circulated for signatures.

<u>Meeting Minutes</u>: Meeting Minutes of 12/08/2015 were reviewed. Motion made by Johnson to accept the minutes, seconded by Perry. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Johnson presented the Treasurer's Report for December 2015. He noted that renewals were at approximately 90%. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Finley, seconded by Perry. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Licensing Application Review Committee</u> – Pate read the numbers of applicants recommended by the Licensing Application Review Committee for a Louisiana Professional Geoscientist license as follows: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8, of the Licensing Review Committee List for January 12, 2016. Johnson motioned to accept the recommended list of applicants as read. Seconded by Kumar. Motion carried unanimously.

Licensing Examination Committee – No report at this time.

Complaint Review Committee - No report at this time.

<u>Office Committee</u> – Johnston reported that the Office Committee met and decided that personnel actions should be deferred to the next board.

<u>Legal Counsel's Comments</u> – No comments at this time.

Other Business – Reciprocity Statement: Johnston presented the Reciprocity Agreement revised and executed by Washington State. Discussion ensued concerning the revisions made by Washington State to the Reciprocity Agreement. Hoover made a motion that LBOPG reject the Reciprocity Agreement as revised. Seconded by Perry. Motion passed unanimously. McNicholas will draft notification to Washington State of rejection of revised Reciprocity Agreement with option to address it again in the future. ASBOG COE Field Trip: Discussion ensued concerning possibilities: Wax Lake, West Bank and False River. Johnson suggested Chris

McClendon as a luncheon speaker. It was decided that more in depth information and general itineraries of the possible field trips be provided to Pate to funnel to ASBOG for their determination. Chris McClendon will be invited to be the luncheon speaker. ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Exam and state universities: Daisy presented that some of the major universities of a state require that their graduating geology student take the ASBOG exam. Johnston suggested that we invite professors from Louisiana universities to attend the next meeting at 1:30 p.m. Discussion ensued. LBOPG board members to invite professors from University of New Orleans, Louisiana State University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette and Tulane. Finley suggested to facilitate it, have them travel with a board member to the meeting. Pate suggested that they could be Subject Matter experts. Pate to ask ASBOG Executive Director to draft a letter to be sent to the University Professors. PG License Plate Status: Perry stated that he has had contact with the Legislative liaison to the Department of Motor Vehicles and requested that they be in touch with us as soon as possible. Website Journal: No report at this time.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, February 10th, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. since Mardi Gras, a state holiday, is Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Johnson motioned to adjourn meeting, seconded by Perry. Motion carried unanimously. Johnston adjourned meeting at 1:38 p.m.