LOUISIANA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

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



REGULAR MEETING OF LBOPG

Tuesday, October 14, 2014 1:30 P.M.

Louisiana Engineering Society Building, Conference Room 9643 Brookline Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70809

MINUTES

Chairman Kumar called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m., October 14, 2014.

<u>Present</u>: William Finley, Madhurendu Kumar, Lloyd Hoover, Arthur Johnson, John Johnston, and William Meaney, Board Members. Ethel Graham, Legal Counsel, and Georgeann McNicholas, Executive Secretary to the Board.

Absent: Kelli Hardesty, Daisy Pate, and L. Todd Perry Board Members.

Quorum established. Roll Call sheet was circulated for signatures.

<u>Meeting Minutes</u>: Minutes of 9/23/2014 were reviewed. Date change from September 9th to September 23rd on first line. Motion made by Meaney, seconded by Johnston to approve with revision. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Johnson presented the Treasurer's Report. Clarification was made of reimbursements of licensing fees to those who have paid twice. Johnston moved to accept Treasurer's Report, seconded by Meaney. Carried unanimously.

<u>Licensing Application Review Committee</u> – Johnston moved to approve numbers 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, 16, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 40, 43, 44, 45, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54,55,57,58,59,60, 63 on Licensing Review Committee List for October 14, 2014. Seconded by Meaney. Carried unanimously. Final list of outstanding applicants to date closes on the Thursday before the Board meets. No revisions will be made to that list until after the Board votes on Tuesday. Discussion ensued concerning review process. Johnston moved to add Johnson and Meaney as reviewers due to the increasing number of applications to be reviewed. Johnson

seconded. Carried unanimously. McNicholas will send list to the committee member not present today of those that have already been reviewed and require committee discussion.

<u>Licensing Examination Committee</u> - No report at this time.

<u>Complaint Review Committee</u> – No report at this time.

<u>Hearing Committee</u> – No report at this time.

<u>Comity/Reciprocity</u> - No report at this time.

Office Committee – Johnston reported that the building signage was installed. It was decided that Kumar, Johnston and Johnson will meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow at Campus Federal to open an account. [Board took a break from 2:24 p.m. to 2:34 p.m.] Johnston reported on the procedure of transferring funds from JPMorgan Chase to Campus Federal.

<u>Rules Committee</u> – Finley has received comments from Meaney and Graham but has not had an opportunity to review them as yet. Kumar questioned language. Graham noted that the language is from another Board provided as a model for LBOPG. Complaint Committee procedure discussion ensued. Johnson clarified CLE proposal. Tabled to next meeting.

<u>Website</u> – No report. Waiting on Office of Contractual Review.

<u>Legal Counsel's Comments</u> – Circulated procedure.

Other Business –

- a.) Johnston proposed meeting time be changed from 1:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. to allow time for out of town members to get home earlier. Discussion ensued. Tabled to next meeting so all Board members may weigh in. McNicholas to circulate email asking for input from all Board members.
- b.) Graham reviewed 711.23(19) Violation of or noncompliance with any order, ruling, or decision of the Board. Board can initiate complaint with all Board members approval. Any Board member can bring a violation to the Board. Pointed out that if you are aware of a violation, you must report it or you can lose your license under the Code of Ethics. Must be voted on by the Board. Complaints must be documented, notarized and cannot be anonymous.

Next meeting will be October 28, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. at the Louisiana Engineering Society Building Conference Room, 9643 Brookline Ave., Baton Rouge, LA. November 11, 2014 will be the next meeting after October 28th, 2014 meeting. Meaney stated that he will be away for the next two Board meetings.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Hoover, seconded by Johnson. Motion passed unopposed. Kumar adjourned meeting at 3:25 p.m.