

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
ARCHITECTURAL LICENSING BOARD

MAY 1, 2020

The six hundred eighty-ninth meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board, held on May 1, 2020, via Microsoft Teams, was called to order by David Barkin at 9:30 AM.

Board Members

Present:	Laurann Asklof	Board Member, Public Member
	David H. Barkin	Board Member, Chairman, Architect
	Angela D. Cahill	Board Member, Architect
	Philip H. Cerrone	Board Member, Architect
	Twig Holland	Board Member, Public Member

Board Members

Not Present: None

Vacancies: None

DCP Staff Present:	Richard M. Hurlburt	Director, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division
	Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.	License & Applications Specialist
	Janita Hamel	Supervising Special Investigator
	Pamela Brown	Investigations Division Director
	Jason Cohen	Commissioner's Office

Others Present: Gina Calabro AIA Connecticut

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions, and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division, Richard M. Hurlburt, Director.

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1. Review of minutes of the January 17, 2020 Architectural Licensing Board Meeting

The Board voted, unanimously, to approve the January 17, 2020 minutes as written. (Cahill/Cerrone)

2. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today

None.

3. DCP Investigation Division Complaint Status Report

3A. At the January 17, 2020 Board Meeting, Mr. Barkin requested that Complaint Nos. 2017-125 and 2017-78 be updated for the Board at their next meeting because of the longevity of these complaints.

Pamela Brown and Janita Hamel addressed the Board regarding the Complaint Reports recently sent by e-mail to the Board Members. Ms. Brown stated that the above referenced complaints are being handled by the Legal Department and in the future, should be addressed as a separate line item on the agenda to be addressed by Legal.

Ms. Paulette Annon from the Legal Division stated that an agreement has been reached on Complaint No. 2017-125. Further, she noted that the Department has reached to the respondent on Complaint No. 2017-78 and is waiting to hear back.

4. Old Business

4A. Proposed changes to Connecticut Statutes Chapter 390, Architects – Penalties for failure to meet CE requirements

Continuation of discussion concerning licensed architects in Connecticut performing the work of Interior Designers; specifically, the logistics to be addressed by the Department relating to existing interior design certificates currently held by Connecticut licensed architects.

Ms. Annon read aloud from an e-mail she received from Ms. Julianne Avallone. Regarding the Statute changes, there is no legislative update because the session was canceled with no word on a future special session to be held

4B. Update of proposed changes to Connecticut Regulations 20-289, Architect Licensure – Continuing education and emeritus status

At the January 17, 2020 Board Meeting, the Board discussed possibly issuing notice to Connecticut licensed architects regarding the Continuing Education Requisite.

A Legislative Review Committee meeting is scheduled for May 26, 2020 to be conducted remotely. If this does not happen, then the regulations will pass on consent. The Department will get back to Mr. Barkin regarding any comment from the recent public regulation review period.

At the request of the Chairman, Agenda Items 4A. and 4B. will be placed on the next Board Meeting agenda for further discussion.

4C. Discussion Concerning Renewals of Corporate Practice Relative to Ownership Requirements.

Mr. Barkin noted that the Board has previously asked that corporate renewal information contain ownership updates to ensure compliance with current statutory requirements. Ms. Annon did not have an update for the Board but will ask Ms. Julianne Avallone for more information and get back to Mr. Barkin.

Ms. Cahill expressed concern over the current use of a checkbox on the renewal form as an attestation by corporate licensees to indicate their compliance with current statutory requirements relative to stock ownership. It was noted that the Department keeps a record of the party in responsible charge for each corporate entity. Mr. Barkin stated that as far as he is concerned, the Board does not need to have a breakdown of stock ownership; only that they are in compliance with the statutes. It was decided by the Board to have Mr. Barkin discuss this matter further with Ms. Julianne Avallone from the Department's Legal Division and report back to the Board at their next meeting.

This item will be placed on the Board's next meeting agenda for further discussion.

5. New Business

5A. Update from the Board Chairman on the NCARB 2020 Regional Summit - March 6-7, 2020.

Mr. Barkin reviewed an on-screen document with the Board of an e-mail from Mr. Cerrone. Mr. Cerrone provided the Board with an update on the items discussed at the Regional Meeting listed below:

1. Change in terms for Officers; specifically, a change in terms for the Treasurer position to a maximum of 5 years and all other positions (Chairman, Vice Chairperson, and Director) to a maximum of two years. After brief discussion, the Board unanimously agreed with this proposal.
2. Regional dues were also discussed extensively including the possibility of reducing dues. He noted that this topic has a long history of debate and will continue to do so.

3. Upcoming educators meeting in to be held in Vermont in October 2020.
4. Interior Architecture Degree discussion.
5. Resolutions concerning changes to NCARB Model Law.
6. Presentation concerning fraudulent work carried on by Mr. Paul Newman and his corporation who performed illegal work on single and multi-family dwellings and posed as a licensed architect using the license number of another architect. This individual was prosecuted on felony charges by the State of New York.
7. Gender diversity relative to NCARB Officer positions.
8. Discussion on the Architect Registration Examination by national branch of the NCARB concerning their back-up examination and related software programs currently under development to be sold in the future.

5B. NCARB Annual Business Meeting items requiring Board Approval:

1. Designation of the voting delegate for the NCARB annual business meeting this June (the annual business meeting may be a virtual one)

The Board voted, unanimously, to elect Mr. Cerrone as their voting delegate at the upcoming Annual Meeting Business Meeting in June. (Barkin/Cahill)

2. Vote on proposed NCARB bylaws.

It was noted by Ms. Cahill and Mr. Cerrone that all the NCARB Resolutions and Bylaws will not be acted upon until next year in Philadelphia per written notification received from the NCARB.

3. Vote on proposed NCARB national leadership candidates (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Regional Rep, etc.)

Mr. Barkin stated that there are two contested positions which are Board Secretary and Public Member. Mr. Barkin noted that he is very impressed with Ms. Mary Morissette as Board Secretary candidate and admires her volunteerism and the diversity she brings to his position. Mr. Cerrone, Ms. Asklof, and Ms. Cahill agree with Mr. Barkin noting that Ms. Morissette talked about what she could and would do for the organization as opposed to telling about her own accomplishments. After brief discussion, the Board voted, unanimously, to support Ms. Mary Morissette for the Position of Secretary. (Cerrone/Holland)

The Board discussed the position of Public Director. Mr. Barkin and Ms. Asklof talked about candidate Mr. Gary Ey. Ms. Asklof stated that he was very active for a short period of time and has compassion about what he is doing. It was noted that he has

been on the Maryland Board for seventeen years and has NCARB experience for four plus years and brings a construction perspective to this position apart from the other candidate. Mr. Cerrone and Ms. Cahill cited their personal support for Mr. Ey. Ms. Holland and Ms. Asklof also discussed their perspectives of this candidate. It was noted that Mr. Ey’s construction background, as opposed to the more typical legal background, may be advantage to this position. After more discussion, the Board voted, unanimously, to support Mr. Ey for the NCARB Officer Candidate position of Public Director. (Cahill/Holland)

5C. The following candidates have passed the Architect Registration Examination and are recommended by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as Architects in the State of Connecticut; the Board voted unanimously to approve the following individuals for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut and offered their congratulations on achieving this professional milestone. (Asklof/Cerrone)

1. Filipp Blyakher
2. Laura Crosskey
3. Mark Daniel Fanelli
4. Philip Conrad Grimaldi
5. Mark Huang
6. Matthias James Kelly
7. Theodore Michael Leviss
8. Garrett William Lord
9. Alexander S Melko
10. Toar Sadia
11. John E. Vitti

5D. Applications for licensing by waiver of examination; the following individuals were approved under Section 21a-8 of the General Statutes by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut on the basis of waiver of examination with an NCARB Certificate Record or by Direct Endorsement; the Board acknowledged the applications listed below.

1	Abraham, John	Waiver of Examination; Virginia	Direct
2	Bannister, William H	Waiver of Examination: New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 117121)
3	Bartash, Peter William	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 481593)

4	Bartsma, Wellbe J.	Waiver of Examination; Nevada	(NCARB File No. 662752)
5	Behr, Mark Christopher	Waiver of Examination; Vermont	(NCARB File No. 63272)
6	Bell, Jonathan	Waiver of Examination; Rhode Island	(NCARB File No. 93664)
7	Bickford, William T.	Waiver of Examination; Illinois	(NCARB File No. 96344)
8	Bruce, Justin R.	Waiver of Examination; Missouri	(NCARB File No. 774692)
9	Bunt, Travis J M	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 111140)
10	Cameron, Kirtley H.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 107161)
11	Carter, Michael	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 850344)
12	Cheney, David	Waiver of Examination; Vermont	(NCARB File No. 99379)
13	Coles, Gregory	Waiver of Examination; California	(NCARB File No. 851015)
14	Coles, Gregory	Waiver of Examination; California	(NCARB File No. 851015)
15	Connolly, Brendan P.	Waiver of Examination; Washington	(NCARB File No. 101772)
16	Cook, Brian Douglas	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 140669)
17	Cucitrone, George N.	Waiver of Examination; North Carolina	(NCARB File No. 95051)
18	DeChiaro, Christopher Ralph	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 131863)
19	Dhliwayo, Kholisile	Waiver of Examination; Australia	(NCARB File No. 855606)
20	Di Giorgio, Joseph Vito	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 122143)
21	Endres, Eric J	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 69014)
22	Epstein, Eric	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 855711)
23	Fine, Keith	Waiver of Examination; California	(NCARB File No. 840163)
24	Franko, Richard C.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 51621)
25	Garafola, Paul Richard	Waiver of Examination; North Carolina	(NCARB File No. 72652)
26	Goldberg, David W.	Waiver of Examination; Washington	(NCARB File No. 75090)
27	Greco, Joseph	Waiver of Examination; Michigan	(NCARB File No. 90566)
28	Hall, Daniel S.	Waiver of Examination; New Hampshire	(NCARB File No. 483893)
29	Hall, James Patrick	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 463213)
30	Hernandez, Beatriz M.	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 69645)
31	Hindes, Frank E	Waiver of Examination; Indiana	(NCARB File No. 55660)
32	Hitchcock, Drake R.	Waiver of Examination; Texas	(NCARB File No. 124792)
33	Hutter, III, Harold D.	Waiver of Examination; Texas	(NCARB File No. 828847)
34	Inman, Joshua E	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 103660)
35	Intinarelli, Craig	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 129817)
36	Krause, Terry Allen	Waiver of Examination; Oregon	(NCARB File No. 45960)
37	Kretovic, Chris M	Waiver of Examination; Michigan	(NCARB File No. 90574)
38	Krsul, Ann L	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 88447)
39	Lapatra, William J.	Waiver of Examination; Washington	(NCARB File No. 819719)
40	Leung, Kok Sum	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 138846)
41	Liebergen, Jeffrey	Waiver of Examination; Wisconsin	(NCARB File No. 849538)
42	Lukez, Paul R	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 660612)
43	Luks, Kristin P.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 299374)
44	Luongo, Karen M	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 89423)
45	Luy, Jeffrey Brian	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 50033)
46	Macaro, Abner	Waiver of Examination; Wisconsin	(NCARB File No. 726914)
47	Mallie, Jonathan L.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 104720)
48	Martin, Laurel R	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 81267)
49	Matuska, Mark	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 135883)
50	Morhardt, Kemp Andrew	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 76569)
51	Neumann, Kevin Thomas	Waiver of Examination; New Hampshire	(NCARB File No. 54234)
52	O'Rourke, Sean	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 116131)
53	Orem, Patrick M.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	Direct

54	Owen, Jeffrey L.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 110020)
55	Panico, Gerardo	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 107613)
56	Paulson, Alex S.	Waiver of Examination; Georgia	(NCARB File No. 45443)
57	Perry, Jonathan Lee	Waiver of Examination; West Virginia	(NCARB File No. 87636)
58	Pristash, Nicholas	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 101911)
59	Rothblatt, Rob	Waiver of Examination; California	Direct
60	Roush, Kurt Alexander	Waiver of Examination; Georgia	(NCARB File No. 44995)
61	Rozewski, Janet	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 42687)
62	Sanders, Daniel Paul	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 672713)
63	Saraniero, Steven R	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 104489)
64	Schrier, Michael E.	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
65	Sendlewski, Jeffrey Martin	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 524733)
66	Shih, Julie	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 99578)
67	Slevar, Brian Joseph	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 103088)
68	Smith, Stephen Michael	Waiver of Examination; Georgia	(NCARB File No. 138265)
69	Sudduth, Brian C.	Waiver of Examination; Georgia	(NCARB File No. 673509)
70	Sylva, Deborah Lee	Waiver of Examination; California	(NCARB File No. 116150)
71	Torney, Anne M.	Waiver of Examination; California	(NCARB File No. 818808)
72	Trepkau, Eric C	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 69968)
73	Tripp, James Leo	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 131729)
74	Varley, Matthew	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 131967)
75	Warwick, William R	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 118853)
76	Wawrzaszek, Diana	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 209473)
77	Weiland, Dietrich	Waiver of Examination; Oregon	(NCARB File No. 85748)
78	Welker, Joseph	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 77460)
79	White, Megan Elizabeth	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 291334)
80	Wygoda, Shlomo S	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 119169)

5E. Applications for the Corporate Practice of Architecture; the Department approved the following applications under Section 21a-8 of the General Statutes; the Board acknowledged the applications listed below.

1. CHA Architecture P.C.
49 Dartmouth Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Brian M. Curley
Connecticut Lic. No. 14240

Alan G. Kuniholm
Connecticut Lic. No. 14222
2. Fox Design Group LLC
9329 Ravenna Road, Suite C
Twinsburg, Ohio 44087

Patrick Fox
Connecticut Lic. No. 14453
3. Graphite Architecture Inc.
1809 7th Avenue 700
Seattle, Washington 98101

Martin Hill
Connecticut Lic. No. 11671
4. IBI Group Professional Services (USA) Inc.
1100 Park Central Blvd. South Ste.3500
Pompano Beach, Florida 33064-2214

Zang Yong
Connecticut Lic. No. 14081

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| 5. | OCC Designs LLC
11 Corporate Drive
Belmont, New Hampshire 03220 | Keith A. Kelley
Connecticut Lic. No. 14147

David Sherborne
Connecticut Lic. No. 14300 |
| 6. | WSP USA Design Inc.
One Penn Plaza 4 th Floor
New York, New York 10119 | Amir Degany
Connecticut Lic. No. 14430 |

Mr. Barkin noted that WSP has been well known in this State for some time and wonders what is different about this application? Mr. Kuzmich will inquire and report back to the Board if there is any noteworthy information.

5F.Mr. Barkin discussed the NCARB 2020 NCARB Education Standards. He reminded the Board that they were sent an e-mail from NCARB that they were invited to comment on by June 2020. Mr. Barkin encouraged the Board for their input. Mr. Cerrone will re-send this e-mail to the Board for their review and input.

6. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today.

1. Ms. Gina Calabro from AIA/CT discussed NCARB's Integrated Path to Architectural Licensure (IPAL) with the Board. She received a call from the University of Hartford asking if the Board approves this path to licensure and volunteered to ask the Board the same on their behalf. The Board discussed the matter briefly. Mr. Barkin will reach out to the NCARB, review what the Board presently has in effect, and requested that this item be placed on their July 17,2020 meeting agenda for further discussion. Ms. Calabro will forward to the Board what the University of Hartford received from the NCARB.

It was noted that in 2015, NCARB launched the Integrated Path to Architectural Licensure (IPAL), creating an additional pathway for students seeking to become architects. By enrolling in an IPAL option, students in the process of earning a degree from a NAAB-accredited program can complete the Architectural Experience Program (AXP) and the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) concurrently. IPAL is incorporated as an optional path within an existing NAAB-accredited program, allowing architecture schools to integrate licensure requirements into their own curricula.

2. Mr. Cerrone discussed continuing education acceptance as it relates to New York State from a discussion he had with an official from New York State. Specifically, he addressed Connecticut licensed architects who are also licensed in New York and taking CE courses from AIA in Connecticut for their New York License. The New York State Official noted that they do not automatically accept the AIA courses. Each course is evaluated on its own for acceptance as continuing education credit.

3. A discussion was held regarding the continuing education requirement relative to the upcoming license renewal. It was decided that Mr. Barkin will draft a statement, to be reviewed by the Department, addressing the newly adopted continuing education requirements that will be sent to all Connecticut licensees.

4. Ms. Cahill spoke regarding her concern over the current status of the Architectural Registration Examination relative to the effects of the COVID-19 National Crisis. Among the items she discussed was the status of test center openings and the format of the examination going forward. In response, Ms. Calabro cited an e-mail she received which addressed the opening of test centers around the country. In particular, that test centers are following guidelines issued by the State Governor's and that test centers in Connecticut are hoping to open by the end of May or early June.

5. It was noted by Mr. Cohen that there were no on-line comments received from any individuals.

The meeting adjourned at 10:56 AM. (Cerrone/Barkin) The next regular meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board is scheduled for Friday, July 17, 2020 at 9:00 AM; location to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.
Board Administrator

Upcoming Architectural Licensing Board Meeting Dates:

1. July 17, 2020
2. September 18, 2020
3. November 6, 2020

All meetings will take place at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT at 9:00 AM unless otherwise noted.