STATE OF CONNECTICUT

ARCHITECTURAL LICENSING BOARD

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MAY 2, 2014

The six hundred and eighty fourth meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board, held on May 2, 2014, was called to order by Chairman Mr. S. Edward Jeter at 9:07 AM in Room No. 117 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Board Members			
Present:	David H. Barkin Carole W. Briggs Robert B. Hurd S. Edward Jeter	Board Member Board Member Board Member Chairman	
Board Members Not Present:	Pauline S. Morales	Board Member	
Vacancies:	None.		
Others Present:	Robert M. Kuzmich	Department of Consumer Protection (DCP)	
	Peter R. Huntsman	Attorney General's Office	
	Bruce Spiewak	AIA/CT	
	Diane Harp Jones	AIA/CT	
	Brian Worsham	A.R.E. Candidate	

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1. Old Business

<u>1A. Submission of the minutes of the March 21, 2014 Architectural Licensing Board</u> <u>Meeting</u>; for review and approval. After a thorough review, the Board approved the minutes as submitted. (Briggs/Hurd)

<u>1B. Continuation of discussion concerning Letter dated January 3, 2013 from Anthony</u> <u>L. D'Andrea, Chairman, Board of Examiners for Professional Engineers and Land</u> <u>Surveyors</u>; for discussion by the Board. The Board discussed the draft letter written by Mr. Jeter to Mr. D.L. Chandler, Project Manager with the City of Hartford, concerning the Responsible Design Professional. This document was previously distributed to the Board prior to today's meeting. They expressed the need to get this letter in the mail as soon as possible since so much time has passed since this matter first came before them. The Board voted unanimously to approve the draft as written and to forward this letter to the Commissioner, immediately, for his review and approval. (Briggs/Hurd) Mr. Kuzmich will notify Mr. Schwane, Department Staff Attorney, of the Board's action. It is the Board's understanding that Mr. Schwane will now forward this document to the Commissioner's Office.

<u>1C. Re-draft of proposed changes to the Regulation concerning examination eligibility</u> relative to A.R.E. Candidates sitting for the examination prior to their completion of <u>NCARB's Intern Development Program requirements</u>; as presented by Staff Attorney Mr. Steven Schwane. Mr. Kuzmich stated to the Board that he made some minor revisions to these documents which address NCARB's Direct Registration process relative to applications not conforming to these requirements. After some brief discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the draft as presented to them today. (Briggs/Hurd)

Mr. Kuzmich will inform Mr. Schwane of the Board's decision and instruct him to advance the regulation approval process per the Board's directive.

2. <u>New Business</u>

2A. Unbound NCARB Council Record from Mr. Brian A. Worsham for consideration by the Board to sit for the Architect Registration Examination. Mr. Worsham is scheduled to appear before the Board today; for review and discussion by the Board. Mr. Worsham addressed the Board and informed them that he is a University of Hartford graduate, Connecticut resident, and a hopeful prospect in becoming Connecticut registered architect. He stated that he has an extensive work history in the architecture field with he believes are excellent references.

Mr. Worsham has a four year degree from the University of Hartford and noted that he cannot apply to become a registered architect in the State of Connecticut. He has

recently passed the Architect Registration Examination as a New York State Candidate and has his New York State license. Mr. Worsham also has an NCARB Unbound Council Record for the Boards review. He noted that due to financial hardships of the economy, and being a single father with custody of his son, he is unable to move to New York State and return back to school for two more years to get his accredited degree in architecture. Mr. Worsham is asking the Board for consideration for licensure in this State.

After more extensive detailed discussion, Mr. Hurd volunteered to "step down" and review Mr. Worsham's file and report back to the Board at their next regular meeting. Mr. Worsham was also advised by the Board to complete the Connecticut Application for Architect's License and submit the same to the Department in order to establish his credentials in the State's database.

<u>2B. Draft Resolutions To Be Acted Upon at the 2014 NCARB Regional Summit</u>; for review and action. *The Board voted, as indicated below, on the following proposed resolutions to be acted upon at the* 2014 NCARB Regional Summit:

<u>Resolution 2014-01</u>: *Certification Guidelines* Amendment – Modifications to the Education Requirement"; *supported*.

<u>Resolution 2014-02</u>: *Certification Guidelines* Amendment – Modifications to the BEA Requirements; *supported*.

Resolution 2014-03: Omnibus Bylaws Changes; not supported.

Resolution 2014-04: Freeze of Member Dues and Bylaws Amendment; supported.

<u>Resolution 2014-05</u>: *Bylaws* Change – Regional Directors; *the Board took no position on this resolution and will allow the Chairman to vote, as he sees appropriate, at the time this Resolution is discussed on the meeting floor and the final language has been established.*

<u>2C. Delegate Letter of Credentials as required for NCARB's 2014 Annual Business</u> <u>Meeting</u>; for discussion and action by the Board. *After discussion, the Board voted to approve the following members as delegates to the* 2014 Annual Business Meeting (Hurd/Briggs):

1. Mr. S. Edward Jeter, Chairman *(authorized to cast ballot)

2. Mr. Robert B. Hurd, Architect Member

3. Ms. Carole W. Briggs, Public Member

2D. The following candidates have passed the *Architect Registration Examination* and are recommended by the Department of Consumer Protection for licensing as an Architect in the State of Connecticut; after a thorough review of their applications, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following individuals for licensing as architects in Connecticut. (Briggs/Hurd)

4. Rachana Ky

- 2. Michael Iorfino, 5. Sara Murray
- 3. Justin Kunz 6. Eliza Rubin

<u>2E. Applications for licensing by waiver of examination</u>; the following individuals are recommended 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 voted, unanimously, to approve the following individuals for licensing as architects in the State of Connecticut.* (*Briggs/Hurd*)

1	Axelsen, Paul W.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 292123)
2	Bartolone, Mark C.	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
3	Brandt, Louis F.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 40012)
4	Brinza, Matthew J.	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 85279)
5	Cordone, Matthew	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 84157)
6	Cox, William E.	Waiver of Examination; Wisconsin	(NCARB File No. 129194)
7	Del Priore, Federico	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
8	Fenderson, Monica	Waiver of Examination; Florida	(NCARB File No. 74638)
9	Flowers, Joshua	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 108713)
10	Fong, Erik	Waiver of Examination; Nevada	(NCARB File No. 60168)
11	Huang, Yin A.	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 83251)
12	Huber, Katharine	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 57830)
13	King, Bryan M.	Waiver of Examination; Colorado	Direct
14	Lasher, Aric	Waiver of Examination; Illinois	(NCARB File No. 710876)
15	Marcus, Renee	Waiver of Examination; New York	Direct
16	McKay, Michael A.	Waiver of Examination; Minnesota	(NCARB File No. 51242)
17	Michels, Keith A.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 35379)
18	Mokhtar, Roslina	Waiver of Examination; Pennsylvania	(NCARB File No. 114438)
19	Reyes, Johan	Waiver of Examination; New York	(NCARB File No. 104984)
20	Rodebaugh, Aaron M.	Waiver of Examination; Ohio	(NCARB File No. 101225)
21	Rupert, Dennis E.	Waiver of Examination; New Jersey	(NCARB File No. 70620)
22	Reynolds, Craig	Waiver of Examination; Texas	(NCARB File No. 43371)
23	Storms, David K.	Waiver of Examination; Louisiana	(NCARB File No. 60291)
24	Vieira, Mario J.	Waiver of Examination; Massachusetts	(NCARB File No. 116218)
25	Wambach, Todd A.	Waiver of Examination; Wyoming	(NCARB File No. 51241)
26	West, Aaron W.	Waiver of Examination; District of Columbia	(NCARB File No. 71701)
27	Wright, Jane C.	Waiver of Examination; New Hampshire	(NCARB File No. 67594)

<u>2F. Applications for the Corporate Practice of Architecture</u>; the Department has reviewed and recommends for approval the following applications; *the Board voted*, *unanimously*, *to approve the following applications for the Corporate Practice of Architecture in Connecticut*. (*Briggs/Hurd*)

<u>The Geddis Partnership</u>, <u>A Professional Corporation</u> 71 Old Post Road Southport, Connecticut 06890 Barbara L. Geddis, CEO Connecticut Lic. No. 3129

<u>Robert G. Lyon & Associates, Inc.</u> 5100 River Road, Ste. 125 Schiller Park, Illinois 60176 Joseph A. Geoghegan, Jr., CEO Connecticut Lic. No. 10909

2G. Applications for the Joint Corporate Practice of Architecture and Professional Engineering; the Department has reviewed and recommends for approval the following applications; the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the following application for the Joint Corporate Practice of Architecture and Professional Engineering in Connecticut. (Briggs/Jeter)

HLW Architecture and Engineering LLC.	Jo
115 Fifth Avenue, Fifth Floor	С
New York, New York 10003	

John Gering, Managing Member Connecticut Lic. No. 9593

<u>Krech, O'Brien, Mueller & Associates</u> 6115 Cahill Avenue Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota 55076

Steven Iaria, Vice President Connecticut Lic. No. 12826

<u>2H. Complaint Report from the Trade Practices Division concerning Complaints</u> <u>associated with the Architectural Licensing Board</u>; for the Board's review. There was no report presented at the meeting.

2I. Update from the Department's Legal Staff regarding any Board issues or otherwise.

1. Application of Mr. Peter C. Kurth. At their last meeting, the Board was informed that the application of Mr. Peter C. Kurth indicates a prior felony conviction. Brief details of this conviction were shared with the Board from the applicant's written disclosure contained as a part of his application for licensure in Connecticut. Upon hearing these details, the Board asked for further investigation by the Department's Legal Staff prior to any further action taken by them. As such, Mr. Steven Schwane has requested the assistance of a Board member to "step down" and assist the Department in this matter. Ms. Briggs volunteered to work with the Department on this matter.

2J. Any correspondence and/or business received in the interim.

1. The Board rescheduled their next Regular Meeting date from Friday, July 18, 2014 to Friday, August 1, 2014 at the same time of 9:00 AM due to conflicts in meeting dates with some Board Member schedules.

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m. (Barkin/Briggs) The next regular meeting of the Architectural Licensing Board is scheduled for <u>Friday, August 1, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.;</u> <u>State Office Building; Room 117; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut</u>.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A. Board Administrator