BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS TEL. NO. (860) 713-6145

February 10, 2009

State of Connecticut
Department of Consumer Protection
Occupational & Professional Licensing Division
165 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

The Board of Landscape Architects held a regular meeting on December 9, 2008, which was called to order by Chairman Vincent C. McDermott at 9:34 AM in Room No 121 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Board Members Present:

Vincent C. McDermott	Chairman
W. Phillips Barlow	Board Member
Shavaun Towers	Board Member
Stephen Wing	Board Member

Board Members Not Present:

Denise E. Cooper	Board Member
Paul E. Courchaine	Board Member
Robert W. Hammersley	Board Member

Others Present:

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A. License and Applications

Specialist

Steven J. Schwane Administrative Hearings

Attorney/DCP

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Peter R. Huntsman Attorney General's Office

Note: The administrative functions of this Board are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information, call Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, at (860) 713-6135.

1.) Old Business

1A. Minutes of the September 9, 2008 meeting of the Board; for review and approval. It was noted by the Board that since this Board meets quarterly, the depth of the minutes, although not overly done, is extremely beneficial to them especially in situations where discussions on a particular item are ongoing. After a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve the minutes as written.

1B. Continuation of discussion concerning Mr. Peter Wells, Landscape Architect License No. 519 regarding the reinstatement of his landscape architect's license.

At their last meeting, the Board voted to postpone further discussion on this matter and direct Mr. Wells to submit documentation of all the continuing education he has completed, to date, since the continuing education requirement became effective on August 1, 1998.

The Board is aware that the <u>required 120 contact hours</u> is a significant amount. As such, they agreed to make a determination on the disposition of his license based upon what percentage of this amount he may have already completed as a part of his regular practice or in the course of maintaining other landscape architect licenses.

After an extensive discussion, the Board approved Mr. Wells's application for the reinstatement of his Connecticut Landscape Architect License. Subsequent to a thorough review of the documentation he sent to them dated October 8, 2009, they concluded that his continuing education requisite is now compliant. It was noted that he is $5 \frac{1}{2}$ contact hours short for the 2006 – 2008 biennium. As such, they allotted this deficit from the $16 \frac{1}{2}$ contact hours earned at the $\underline{2008 \ Annual}$ $\underline{Meeting \ and \ Expo}$ leaving him 11 contact hours that he may count toward the current Continuing Education Biennium which began August 1, 2008

1C. Update from the Department regarding the status of pending Audits to be conducted by the Department for the continuing education period from August 1, 2006 through July 31, 2008. Mr. Kuzmich reported that he reviewed all the CE submissions and that the majority appear to be in compliance. The submissions that Mr. Kuzmich had questions on were reviewed by the Board on an individual basis. After an extensive review of these submissions, the Board reconciled all

and appropriate correspondence from the Department, as necessary, will be sent to the individuals whose continuing education documentation requires further action. In addition, the following individuals who have not submitted any correspondence will be referred to the Legal Department for further action:

Dale Parsons: LAR.501
 Dirk Sabin: LAR.466
 Raymond Uskievich: LAR.277
 Morgan Wheelock: LAR.612
 Elisabeth Yeager: LAR.533

2.) New Business

2A. Application of Ms. Natasha Andjelic for licensing by written examination; Ms. Andjelic is applying with a CLARB Council Record (No. 6470) and has passed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination with the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards. **Upon completion of a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve her application.** (Wing/Barlow) It is noted that Ms. Towers abstained from the vote.

2B. Application of Mr. Travis J. Ewen for licensing by written examination; Mr. Ewen is applying with a CLARB Council Record (No. 2981) and has passed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination with the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards. **Upon completion of a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve his application.** (Barlow/Towers)

2C. Application of Mr. Kevin C. Fuselier for licensing by written examination; Mr. Fuselier is applying with a CLARB Council Record (No. 5631) and has passed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination with the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards. **Upon completion of a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve his application.** (Towers/Barlow) It is noted that Mr. McDermott abstained from the vote.

2D. Application of Ms. Kristina S. Gates for licensing by written examination; Ms. Gates is applying with a CLARB Council Record (No. 5056) and has passed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination with the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards. **Upon completion of a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve her application.** (Barlow/Towers)

<u>2E. Application of Mr. James P. Sperry for licensing by written examination;</u> Mr. Sperry is applying with a *CLARB Council Record (No. 4364)* and has passed the *Landscape Architect Registration Examination* with the *Council of Landscape*

Architectural Registration Boards. **Upon completion of a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve his application.** (Barlow/Towers)

2F. Application of Mr. Michael T. White for licensing by written examination; Mr. White is applying with a CLARB Council Record (No. 3445) and has passed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination with the Council of Landscape
Architectural Registration Boards. **Upon completion of a thorough review, the Board voted, unanimously, to approve his application.** (Barlow/Towers)

<u>2G. Discussion concerning the review of Storm Water Permits by third parties.</u> Mr. McDermott noted that the Department of Environmental Protection has proposed revisions to the regulations regarding Storm Water General Permits that would require erosion and sedimentation control plans to be reviewed by the local county conservation districts prior to submitting the plans to DEP. This process would potentially allow individuals who are not licensed design professionals to review plans that are prepared by professionals licensed by the Department of Consumer Protection.

Mr. McDermott is trying on behalf of both this Board as well as the Engineer's Board to "nip this process at the bud". He asked for guidance from both Mr. Schwane and Mr. Huntsman in this matter. It was noted that this process is not actually in place yet and is in "draft" format at this point. Mr. McDermott will transmit a copy of the draft regulations to Messrs. Schwane and Huntsman for their review and comment. He asked that they also bring this to the attention of the Engineer's Board. Mr. Kuzmich offered to give this draft to the administrator of the Engineer's Board.

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

- 1.) Mr. Schwane gave the Board copies of the final version of the regulation for <u>Electronic Seals</u> that was filed with the Secretary of State on October 2, 2008 and is now a permanent part of this Board's regulation for the practice of landscape architecture. Mr. McDermott stated that this Board should now promote this information through their professional organizations. The Department will also post these amendments on their website.
- 2.) Mr. Schwane noted that the State Library Regulation amendments have not gone through yet and he will update the Board with any news in the future. This may be due, in part, to the fact that they do not have much experience in this area. He also stated the Department's Legislative package for 2009 will not include any legislation involving this Board in addition to others such as the Architect's Board.

<u>2I. Updated list of applications processed for licenses subsequent to the September 9, 2008 meeting of the Board</u>. The Board acknowledged this information.

NAME	METHOD OF LICENSURE	DEPT. APPR'D DATE
McInytre, Michael R.	Waiver of Exam; CLARB Council Certificate No. 4145; Arizona	September 5, 2008
Huntress, Christian C.	Waiver of Exam; CLARB Council Certificate No. 7448; Massachusetts	September 30, 2008
Taylor, Kendra C.	Waiver of Exam; CLARB Council Certificate No. 5952; California	October 28, 2008
Sanders, Lucinda R.	Waiver of Exam; CLARB Council Certificate No. 2743; Pennsylvania	October 31, 2008
Klein, Richard M.	Waiver of Exam; CLARB Council Certificate No. 6665; Massachusetts	October 31, 2008
Lombardi, Gregory D.	Waiver of Exam; CLARB Council Certificate No. 4539; Pennsylvania	November 20, 2008

2J. 2009 Calendar Year Meeting Dates for the Board of Landscape Architects.

- 1.) March 10, 2009
- 3.) <u>September 1, 2009</u>
- 2.) <u>June 9, 2009</u>
- 4.) <u>December 8, 2009</u>

All meetings shall be held at the <u>State Office Building</u>, <u>165 Capitol Avenue</u>, Hartford, Connecticut in Room No. 121 beginning at 9:30 AM.

The Board agreed to meet on these dates.

<u>2K. "CHRO Reviews" CHRO CRITERIA PER SECTION 46a-80</u>; it was noted that there are no cases before the Board today.

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

No items were discussed.

Mr. McDermott adjourned the meeting at 10:51 AM. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2009, 9:30 AM, Room 121, State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A. Board Administrator