

STATE OF CONNECTICUT Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals Board Members: Denise Ruzicka, PE, Chairman John Adams, LEP Christopher Buchholz Robert F. Good, Jr., LEP Stephen Holtman PE, LEP Jeffrey Loureiro, PE, LEP Kelly Meloy, LEP Elsie Patton Alisa Phillips-Griggs Carol Violette, PhD, CHMM

# MINUTES

# **State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals**

# Regular Meeting – May 12, 2016

## A. <u>Call to Order and Sign-In</u>

A regular meeting of the State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals ("the Board") was called to order on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at 9:35 AM in Russell Hearing Room on the 5th floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, by Chair D. Ruzicka. Board members J. Adams, J. Loureiro, A. Phillips-Griggs, R. Good and C. Buchholz and C. Violette (arrived 9:55) were present. Also present was Board Administrator Kim Maiorano, Michael Cote representing the EPOC.

### B. <u>Reading and Approval of the Minutes</u>

The draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting of April 14, 2016 were read and approved as written; motion by J. Loureiro, second: R. Good, passed unanimously with C. Buchholz abstaining.

#### C. <u>Public Participation</u>

Mike Cote was present representing EPOC had no comments.

## D. <u>Unfinished Business and General Orders</u>

#### **Renewal Booklet**

Discussion on this matter was tabled until the Board's next meeting.

## Update on complaint #15-101

J. Adams reported that a compliance meeting had been scheduled with the LEP.

## Update on complaint #16-101

R. Good reported that a compliance meeting had been tentatively scheduled for the following week.

#### **Item Development and Test Assembly**

September 28th Item Development October 26th Test Assembly

Dates provided as a reminder and solicitation that volunteers are needed.

**Course approval request from the Nielson Environmental Field School** for various distance learning courses for CECs see listing. These courses have all been approved for classroom CECs and are being converted into distance learning courses.

#067 The Environmental Sampling Field Course 32.0 CECs The Environmental Sampling E-Course

#227 The Complete Ground-Water Monitoring Field Course 38.0 CECs Complete Ground-Water Monitoring E-Course The

#068Monitoring Well Design, Construction & Development 17.0 CECsThe Ground-Water Monitoring Well Design, Construction & Development E-Course

#069 The Ground-Water Sampling Field Course 16.5 CECs The Complete Ground-Water Sampling E-Course

#065 Micropurge Low-Flow Purging & Ground-Water Sampling 8.0 CECs
#224 The No-Purge Sampling Field Course 8.0 CECs
Combined to Form: The Low-Flow Purging & Sampling and No-Purge Sampling E-Course (16 Hours)

#348 The Complete Soil Sampling Field Course 20.0 CECs The Complete Soil Sampling E-Course

#94 Soil Sampling for Volatile Organic Compounds 8.0 CECs The Soil Sampling for Volatile Organic Compounds E-Course

Ms. Maiorano reported that Nielson Environmental Field School was asking to be a Sponsor which prompted J. Loureiro's preparation of a form to be used by the Board for Sponsor Approval. Nielson has now requested to be a Sponsor and a Provider. As a Provider he would not have to complete the Sponsor Form. The courses listed above have been approved as courses and he is requesting that the courses now be made e-courses. He had provided documentation to the Board for the Field Course. Mr. Nielson had clarified that he had not intended to seek approval for individual modules. He would sell the modules but would require them to take the full course to get credit. J. Loureiro pointed out the field course was 32 hours but our regulations only permit the use of 12 e-credits per renewal period. It would not seem to make sense to take the 32 hour course when only 12 credits may be used.

A motion was made by C. Buchholz and seconded by J. Loureiro to add the Complete Groundwater Monitoring Field Course for approval as an e-course to the agenda. The motion passes unanimously.

Course approval request from Nielson Environmental Field School (Provider) for course titled **"The Complete Ground-Water Monitoring Field Course"** for 32.0 CECs. On a motion by J. Adams, seconded by C. Buchholz, passed unanimously for 32.0 CECs with only 12.0 CECs being eligible for use in a renewal period.

K. Maiorano will prepare a draft letter to send to Nielson that clarifies the course is approved but only 12 credits may be used during a renewal period. Ms. Maiorano suggested identifying the course as 227E so that you cannot take the course as a field course and as an e-course and receive credit for both.

#### E. <u>New Business</u>

Course approval request from Naval Facilities Engineering Command for course titled "*Remediation Innovative Technology Seminar*" for 12.0 CECs.

A discussion followed as to the specific content of each of the agenda items. On a motion by C. Violette, seconded by A. Phillips-Griggs, additional information was requested from the provider.

Course approval request from LSPA "*Method 3 Ecological Risk Assessment*" for 4.0 CECs. On a motion by J. Adams, seconded by C. Buchholz, passed unanimously for 4.0 CECs.

#### **Distance Learning Form for approval of Sponsor**

The form was approved by consensus of the Board.

Next regular meeting is June 16, 2016.

#### **Miscellaneous Items**

C. Buchholz announced that he will be retiring from the banking business and it will be necessary for him to relinquish his position on the Board. He will serve through the end of the June Board meeting. His resignation was accepted with regrets.

#### F. Adjournment

Chair Ruzicka declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Minutes were approved on June 16, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Adams

Board Secretary