

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

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DRAFT MINUTES

State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

Regular Meeting – April 11, 2024

A. Call to Order and Sign-In

A regular meeting of the State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals (“the Board”) was called to order on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 9:32 AM in-person and via Zoom conference call, by Acting Chair and Board Administrator Elizabeth McAuliffe. Board members including D. Wolfram, J. Adams, D. Fiereck, R. Good and M. Gamache were present via Zoom. Lori DiBella from the Attorney General’s Office representing the Board was present via Zoom. Dan Nelson representing EPOC and Selena Thornhill-Moody from DEEP were present via Zoom.

B. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

The draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting of March 14, 2024, were read and approved; motion by D. Wolfram, seconded by M. Gamache, passed unanimously.

C. Public Participation

Mr. Nelson indicated that the two-day RSR training course had been placed on the EPOC website and was available for viewing free of charge. The posting will be available until the date of the exam. Mr. Nelson asked if Acting Chair McAuliffe had notified the applicants of the availability of the course? Acting Chair McAuliffe indicated that she had not, but now that she was aware of the posting, she would notify all individuals admitted to the exam. Mr. Nelson thanked DEEP for expediting the request to make this important and comprehensive review of the RSRs available to those studying for the exam.

D. Unfinished Business and General Orders

Acting Chair McAuliffe reported that 84 of 325 licenses had been renewed to-date.

1. Exam notice of scheduling sent April 3rd. Process discussion.

Acting Chair McAuliffe reported that there was a scheduling issue with applicants attempting to sign up for locations to take the exam. Our vender provided a secure link to select a location to sign up for the examination. When applicants accessed the portal, no locations in Connecticut were available. Acting Chair McAuliffe contacted our project manager Mike Reid and he was able to make sites in Connecticut and nearby locations available for applicants. To date 18 of 23 applicants have scheduled locations to take the exam in the Connecticut and Springfield area.

2. Number of applicants signed up for exam to date

To date 18 of 23 applicants have scheduled locations to take the exam in Connecticut and the Springfield area. There is room for all applicants.

3. LEP brought question regarding whether credit was available for 2017 course #426 as well as similar course #592.

Acting Chair McAuliffe reported that credit was available for both courses because they were separate courses and the new course is being given more than 2-biennial periods since the last course.

E. New Business

Course Approvals

1. Course approval request from Andrew Zlotnick for a course titled, “**EBC 5th Annual PFAS Seminar**” offered February 6, 2024, Framingham, MA for 5 CECs. A motion was made by D. Wolfram, seconded by M. Gamache, to approve the course for 2.0 credits (approved as a conference-half credit), passed unanimously.
2. A motion was made by J. Adams and seconded by D. Wolfram to add consideration of the “**2024 Battelle Chlorinated Conference**” to the agenda, passed unanimously.
3. Course approval request from Zackary Smith of Verdantas for a course/conference titled, “**2024 Battelle Chlorinated Conference**” to be held in-person on June 2-6, 2024 in Denver, Colorado. A motion was made by J. Adams, seconded by R. Good, to approve the short courses on a one-to-one basis for CECs and the conference/panel discussions for half credit with the exceptions and restrictions noted below, passed unanimously with D. Wolfram abstaining.

No credit will be given for the following portions of the Conference.

Poster Sessions, Receptions, Luncheons, and the Career KickStarter Event

Monday 12:10-1:50

C1. Landfill Assessment and Remediation

Panel Discussion: Environmental Justice and Sustainable Practices: A Synergistic Approach

Tuesday 12:10-1:50

Panel Discussion: Microplastics: The State of Science and Uncertainties on Risk-Based Management

Wednesday 1:25-3:05

Panel Discussion: Cost Impacts to Society of PFAS Remediation and Treatment

Thursday 10:05-11:45

A11. Mining and Uranium Site Restoration (Platform)

Thursday 2:40-4:20

B10. Microplastics, Pharmaceuticals, and Other Emerging Contaminants (Platform)

Thursday 3:05-4:20

C11. Aligning Remediation Goals with Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Considerations (Platform)

Other New Business

Request for two board members to review May 16th exam results, dates TBD. Board members D. Fioreck and D. Wolfram volunteered to undertake this activity.

Additional Information

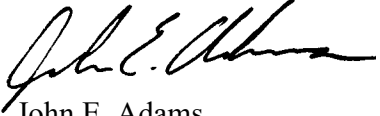
Next meeting is May 9, 2024, at 9:30AM.

F. Adjournment

On a motion by J. Adams, seconded by D. Wolfram, Acting Chair McAuliffe declared the meeting adjourned at 9:56 AM.

Minutes were approved on May 9, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,



John E. Adams
Board Secretary