

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & ECONOMIC GROWTH
BUREAU OF COMMERCIAL SERVICES – LICENSING DIVISION
2501 Woodlake Circle, Okemos, Michigan 48864-5955**

Board of Architects

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 28, 2007

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Board of Architects met in Regular Session on June 28, 2007, at the Department of Labor & Economic Growth, Bureau of Commercial Services, 2501 Woodlake Circle, Room 1, Okemos, Michigan. The business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Daniel Redstone at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Lynn Arnott-Bryks	Member
	Catherine DeDecker	Member
	Elisabeth Knibbe	Vice Chairperson
	Daniel Redstone	Chairperson
	Paula Van Valkenburgh	Member
Absent:	Steven Flum	Member
	Ronald Hausmann	Member
	Christopher Siemion	Member
	Robert Stempien	Member
Staff:	Jean Boven	Licensing Director
	Gloria Keene	Licensing Administrator
	Michael Pillow	Assistant Licensing Administrator
	Jackie Jernigan	Secretary to the Licensing Administrator
	Jeannine Benedict	Office of Government Affairs
	Amy Shell	Legislative Specialist
Visitors:	James Mladucky	Petitioner
	Celeste Novak	AIA
	Ben Tiseo	AIA
	Jim Cavanaugh	Law Office of Kelly Cawthorne

ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM AGENDA

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM ARCHITECT BOARD MEETING HELD JUNE 28, 2007

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Van Valkenburgh and supported by Ms. DeDecker that the minutes from the Architect's Board Meeting of March 8, 2007 be approved as written. The motion carried unanimously.

PETITIONS

Reciprocity

James Mladucky meets experience and examination requirements. Mr. Mladucky holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Architectural Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (1982). His application was denied by the Department because he does not possess a NAAB-First Professional Degree in Architecture. Mr. Mladucky was licensed as an Architect in the State of Wisconsin on December 7, 1989, the State of Minnesota on August 31, 1994 and the State of Illinois on May 31, 2000. He is current and active in all three States.

Mr. Mladucky maintains that his 20 years of experience in architecture and 18 years as a Licensed Architect qualify him for licensure by reciprocity in Michigan.

Mr. Mladucky appeared before the Board.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Knibbe and supported by Ms. Van Valkenburgh to uphold the Department's denial for reciprocal licensure based on Mr. Mladucky's failure to demonstrate educational equivalency. The Board recommends Mr. Mladucky satisfy the education requirements through NCARB's "Broadly Experienced Architect" (BEA) process in order to qualify for licensure as an Architect in Michigan. The motion carried unanimously.

The Department concurred.

OLD BUSINESS

Quarterly Complaint Status Report from the Enforcement Division

Ms. Keene advised that the report before the Board Members provides the number of complaints filed against Architects for the period of December 31, 2006 to April 6, 2007. She advised that there were 2 complaints filed against Architects during that time.

NEW BUSINESS

NCARB 2007 Joint Regional Meeting – Orlando, Florida, March 15-17, 2007

Board Member, Paula Van Valkenburgh provided Board Members with a report and handouts from the Joint Regional Meeting held March 15-17, 2007 in Orlando, Florida.

She advised that there was a discussion of the draft resolutions that will be voted on at the 2007 Annual Meeting. Additionally, new officers were elected for 2007 – 2008 year. She reports that NCARB has initiated a strategic planning process to reorganize the organization. Two Vice-Presidents were elected to help with streamlining the processing of council records.

Ms. Van Valkenburgh advised that the 2008 NCARB Joint Regional Meeting will be held in Louisville, Kentucky on March 13 – 15, 2008.

NCARB 2007 Annual Meeting and Conference, Denver, CO, June 20-23, 2007

Board Member, Dan Redstone provided Board Members with a report and handouts from the Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado held June 20-23, 2007. Following are highlights from the meeting.

- In July 2008, NCARB will launch ARE 4.0. The new version of the exam updates and improves the current format by combining graphic and multiple choice content in six of the seven divisions.
- The Council passed a resolution that allows candidates to begin taking the ARE when he/she has fulfilled their state's education requirements and enrolled in IDP by establishing a Council record.
- IDP is being separated out of records into a separate directorate. IDP candidates will have a filing requirement of every six months.
- NCARB will be implementing a paperless council record over the next two years.

- NCARB will add a Member Board Executive (aka Licensing Administrator) and a Public Director to NCARB's Board of Directors.

Further, Mr. Redstone advised that he will be attending the Member Board Chairs Conference that will be held October 5-6, 2007 at The Madison Hotel in Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. Redstone presented a draft of proposed changes to the Occupational Code, PA 299 of 1980, Article 20 for consideration in implementing the ARE timing resolution. Upon the Board's discussion of the proposed changes, the following motion was made.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Van Valkenburgh and supported by Ms. Knibbe to support changes to the statute to allow interns to take the ARE examination after completion of a NAAB accredited professional degree and enrollment in the Internship Development Program (IDP) by establishing an NCARB Record. The IDP must still be completed before a license is issued. The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORT

Legislative Update

Amy Shell, Policy Specialist, provided an update on Senate Bills 450, 451, 452 and 453 which impact the profession of residential builders and maintenance and alteration contractors. The bills were passed by the Senate on May 23, 2007 and are currently under review by the House of Representatives. She advised that Senate Bill 452 increases penalties on unlicensed activity for all occupations under the Occupational Code. Senate Bill 453 establishes an enforcement fund that can only be utilized to prosecute unlicensed builders and contractors.

Further, Ms. Shell advised that House Bill 4842 will remove sunsets on fees for licensure.

ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Board Member Elisabeth Knibbe distributed to the Board, a compilation of the last ten years of board appeals that she had prepared. She advised that this information will help the Board members - particularly the new members with continuity when voting on petitions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Celeste Novak of AIA expressed her gratitude to being able to attend the meeting.

Ben Tiseo of AIA advised that AIA is in support of ARE timing changes. He also reported that AIA will introduce a seminar for Architects, Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors on the Occupational Code, PA 299 of 1980, Article 20 as a continuing education class.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Architects will be held on October 25, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Daniel Redstone, Chairperson

Date

Jackie Jernigan, Recording Secretary

Date