**Occupational and Professional Licensing**

**District of Columbia Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture**

**1100 4th Street, SW Suite 400**

**Washington, DC 20024**

**June 9, 2023**

**Minutes**

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The District of Columbia Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture held its monthly meeting on Friday, June 9, 2023. This meeting was held virtually.

The meeting was called to order at 9:38AM by Mr. Ronnie McGhee, Chairman.

**Attendance**

Board Members Present: Mr. Ronnie McGhee, Chairman, Mr. Patrick Williams, Vice Chairman, Mr. Bob Alter, Ms. Barbara Jones, Ms. Eileen Vitelli, Mr. Maurice Walters, Ms. Melissa Cohen

Board Members Absent: Ms. Kia Weatherspoon

Board Staff: Mr. Leon Lewis, Program Coordinator, Ms. Avis Pearson, Board Administrator, Ms. Stephanie Johnston, Program Support Specialist, Ms. Jah-mai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist, Mr. Kevin Cyrus, Education Liaison

Legal Counsel: Mr. Justin Orrison, Esq. DLCP Office of General Counsel

Public Guest: Mr. Nicholas Weil, Board of Ethics and Government Accountability

 (BEGA)

 Mr. Orrison is the Board’s new legal counsel. This was his first meeting with this Board.

**Agenda Item: Comments from the Public**

Mr. Weil gave information on the Parliamentary Training Portal. Ms. Pearson will forward the link for this training to the Board.

**Agenda Item: Draft Minutes**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Mr. Walters the Board voted unanimously to approve the March 10, 2023, minutes.

**Agenda Item: Review of Administrative approved Applications**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Ms. Jones the Board voted unanimously to approve the administrative-approved Applications for April 14, 2023, and June 9, 2023, attached hereto and made part of the June 9, 2023, meeting minutes.

**Agenda Item: Education**

Mr. Cyrus provided an update for the Education Symposium. He has been working with Mr. Tucker as well vendors where the event will be held, Howard University and NCARB. On September 21st we will be at the NCARB Headquarters. NCARB has graciously offered their site for a evening reception from 5-7pm following the sessions that will be held earlier in the day. R. Cyrus is also working to coordinate a moonlight tour of the monuments following the reception. This even has not been confirmed. The second day of the event, September 22nd, will be based at Howard University. Following the events on day 2 there will be a tour of the campus. Mr. Cyrus is still working with Ms. Hillegas, NCARB, to secure the hotel and transportation for the event. Ms. Nikita Reed and Mr. Carl Elefante are both confirmed speakers for the event. Region 2 will assist with some of the honorarium fees.

**Agenda Item: Old Business**

Career Day was held at Savoy Elementary School on March 24, 2023. There weren’t any members of this Board were able to attend due to short notice. Ms. Pearson was able to attend the event with Mr. Lucas, Chairman, Board of Professional Engineers, and Dr. Broadneck, Board Administrator, Board of Barber and Cosmetology. The school does need volunteers to assist with activities throughout the year. Ms. Pearson will send out the link that contains the required information for volunteers. The Career Day is an Annual Event that this Board looks forward to participating next year.

**Agenda Item: New Business**

The NCARB Annual meeting will be held June 15-17, 2023, in Tampa, Florida. Mr. McGhee, Mr. Williams, Ms. Cohen, and Mr. Cyrus will attend virtually. Mr. Lewis, Ms. Johnston, and Ms. Pearson will attend in person. Mr. McGhee and Mr. Williams will complete the voting virtually. Ms. Pearson resent the Resolutions that will be voted on during the meeting. Voting will be done virtually by Mr. McGhee or Mr. Williams. Ms. Pearson resent the proposed resolutions to the Board for review and respond with any feedback by close of business on Monday 6/12.

The CLARB Annual meeting will be held September 20-22, 2023, in Henderson, Nevada. Upon motion duly made by Ms. Cohen and properly seconded by Mr. Walters, the Board unanimously voted to send one Board Member and one Board staff to this meeting.

**Agenda Item: Review of Correspondence**

Correspondence reviewed during Executive Session.

**Agenda Item: Executive Session** – **(Closed to the Public)**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Ms. Cohen the Board entered Executive Session at 10:54 am pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (4) (A); D.C. Official Code § 2-575 (b) (9) and (13) to discuss complaints/legal matters, applications, and legal counsel report.

The Board entered back into public session at 11:20am.

**Agenda Item: Recommendations**

Upon motion duly made Mr. Walters and properly seconded by Mr. Alter the Board unanimously voted to move forward with licensing Mr. Devon Patterson.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Williams and properly seconded by Ms. Cohen the Board unanimously voted with licensing Mr. Hameed.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Mr. Walters the Board voted to move forward with licensing Mr. Cole.

**Agenda Item: Adjournment:**

The meeting ended at 11:35am. The next meeting is scheduled for July 21,2023 @ 9:30am

Respectfully submitted,

 Mr. Patrick Williams, Vice Chairman

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 Date

Recorder/transcriber: Avis Pearson