



Occupational and Professional Licensing

**District of Columbia Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture
1100 4th Street, SW Suite 400
Washington, DC 20024**

**September 12, 2025
Meeting Minutes**

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The District of Columbia Board of Architecture, Interior Design, and Landscape Architecture held its scheduled meeting on Friday, September 12, 2025. This meeting was held virtually.

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 am by Mr. Ronnie McGhee, Chairman.

Attendance

Board Members Present: Mr. Ronnie McGhee, Chairman, Mr. Bob Alter, Vice Chairman, Ms. Shauna Stallworth, Mr. Aubrey Grant, Ms. Asha Shagle, Mr. Maurice Walters, Ms. Barbara Jones

Board Staff: Ms. Tiffany Crowe, Director, DLCP, Ms. Jacqueline Noisette, Deputy Administrator, OPL, Mr. Leon Lewis, Program Manager, Ms. Avis Pearson, Board Administrator, Jahmai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist, Mr. Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator,

Legal Counsel: Mr. Augustine Villidares, Attorney Advisor, Office of General Counsel, Nicole Bramstedt, Legislative and Public Affairs Specialist, Ms. April Randall, Esq., Legislative and Public Affairs Officer

Absent: Ms. Jessica Rice, Esq., Board Attorney

Guest: Ms. Caitlin Stromberg, NCARB, Assistant Vice President, Member Relations and Volunteer Engagement, Ms. Melissa Gobrecht, AIA NCARB, Manager Member Board Outreach, Rauzia Ally

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Ms. Stromberg and Ms. Gobrecht met with the Board to discuss proposed alternative paths to license. Prior to this meeting the Board had a chance to review information from MD, VA, NY and Colorado.

Agenda Item: Draft Minutes

Upon motion, duly made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Ms. Shagle the Board voted unanimously to approve August 1, 2025 minutes.

Agenda Item: Review of Administrative Approved Applications

Upon motion, duly made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Mr. Walters the Board voted unanimously to approve the Administrative Approved Applications for September 12, 2025, attached hereto, and made a part of the September 12, 2025, meeting minutes.

Agenda Item: Outreach

Ms. Jefferson informed the Board that she has been in touch with Turner Elementary, The Washington School for Girls and Savoy Elementary School to discuss dates for outreach for FY 2026.

Ms. Noisette has reached out to Phelps High School but has not received a response.

Agenda Item: Legislative Update

There were no legislative updates.

Agenda Item: Education

The Education Forum is scheduled for Friday, October 24, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library. Ms. Pearson will prepare the invitation memorandum to be sent to Director Crowe requesting that she deliver opening remarks for the event.

Mr. Cyrus has asked that Board Members coordinate with presenters to ensure all presentation materials, including headshots and biographies, are submitted to him no later than September 10, 2025

Agenda Item: Sub Committee Update

Ms. Pearson and Mr. Lewis will provide regulations from other states to include MD to discuss alternate paths to licensure. This information will be forwarded to the Board for discussion at the September 12th meeting.

Agenda Item: Old Business

Mr. Alter attended the CLARB Special Meeting on August 12, 2025 and voted on behalf of the Board on the By-Laws. A copy of the By-Laws will be distributed following the Annual Meeting.

The next Board training will be held on Friday, October 10, 2025 at 10am. This will be virtual training. Ms. Pearson will send out long-in information.

Agenda Item: New Business

The newsletter article from the NC Board regarding Fraudulent Seals was reviewed by the Board. This continues to be a concern across many jurisdictions. The Board met with Mr. Patel, DOB, Investigations Manager, and Mr. Reiss, DOB, Chief of Construction Inspections, to discuss DOB's process or license verification and valid seals.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Walters and Properly seconded by Mr. Alter the Board voted to have Ms. Stallworth represent the Board at the upcoming Education Symposium. The Symposium will be held in Philadelphia, PA on September 25th and September 26th. Mr. McGhee has agreed to sponsor 5-6 students who may want to attend this event.

Agenda Item: Review of Correspondence

There was no correspondence for review.

Agenda Item: Executive Session –

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Grant and properly seconded by Ms. Stallworth, 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, the Board voted to enter Executive Session at 11:10am

Upon motion, duly made by Ms. Stallworth and properly seconded by Ms. Shagle, the Board voted to return to public session at 12:09pm

Agenda Item: Recommendations

Upon motion, duly made by Mr. Walters and properly seconded by Mr. Grant in the matter of Ms. Rauzia Ally (ARC100479), the Board voted to take the following actions: suspension her license for 90 days, issue a formal reprimand, a \$2500 fine, and have Ms. Ally take an ethics course in response to fraudulent activity.

Upon motion, made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Mr. Walters in the matter of Mr. William McMahon (ARC40001128) that his application be approved.

Upon motion made by Mr. Grant and properly seconded by Mr. Alter in the matter of Mr. Darrell Oliver, the Board voted to offer a Consent Order and issue a \$750 fine for performing work on an expired license.

The complaint involving Mr. Abebe Bekele was dismissed due to the inability to substantiate the complaint. Sufficient information was not provided by the Complainant.

Agenda Item: Adjournment:

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Alter and properly seconded by Mr. Walters, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 12:19pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Ronnie McGhee, Chairman

Date

Recorder/transcriber: Avis B. Pearson