



**Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration
Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture**

**July 13, 2018
Minutes**

The District of Columbia Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Landscape Architecture held its regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, July 13, 2018, at 9:30 am at 1100 4th Street, S.W., Room 300, Washington, D.C. 20024.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ronnie McGhee at 10:03 am, and attendance was taken.

Attendance

Board Members Present: Ronnie McGhee; Cametrick Nesmith; Melissa Cohen; Mathilda Cox; Patrick Williams; Sharon K. Borton; Barbara Jones

Board Members Absent: None

Staff: Patrice Richardson, Board Administrator; Virginia Bryant; Program Support Specialist; Leon Lewis, Executive Director.

Legal Counsel: Absent

Public: Missy Sutton (CLARB)
Morgan Parker, (CLARB)

Agenda Item: Executive Session

The board did not go into executive session (closed to the public) to discuss complaints/legal matters, applications and legal counsel report because there were no matters to be presented for discussion.

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Ms. Sutton and Ms. Parker attended the meeting to give the Board a presentation of the Council of Landscape Architect Registration Boards (CLARB) website and to respond to any inquiries from the Board and staff regarding the process of certification of applicants by CLARB.

Agenda Item: Draft Minutes, June 1, 2018

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Cox and properly seconded by Ms. Borton, the Board voted unanimously to approve the draft minutes, as amended, dated June 1, 2018.

Agenda Item: Application for Licensure Recommendations

Architecture: 16 Endorsements; 17 Exam; 3 Reinstatements
Interior Design: 8 Exam

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Borton and properly seconded by Mr. Nesmith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the attached July 13, 2018, list of applicants by examination, endorsement, and reinstatement.

Agenda Item: Review of Complaints

The Board did not have any complaints to review for the July 13, 2018, meeting.

Agenda Item: Legal Counsel Report

None

Agenda Item: Old Business

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Borton and properly seconded by Mr. Nesmith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the academic evaluations services report/research of organizations completed by Ms. Bryant providing evaluative services of non-accredited Landscape Architecture schools/programs, contingent upon legal review and the evaluating organization providing a statement that their evaluation is substantially equivalent to a Bachelor's degree program in Landscape Architecture offered at a LAAB-accredited institution in the United States, based on the criteria in effect at the time the degree was awarded.

Chairman McGhee and the Board members acknowledge the DCRA staff for the outstanding work on the research of the Academic Evaluations Services organizations.

Agenda Item: New Business

Report: NCARB meeting – 4 resolutions were passed including:

- 1) Resolution 2018-1- NCARB Legislative Guidelines and Model Law/Model – Regulations Amendment - HSW Category Realignment; passed.
- 2) Resolution 2018-02) - Certification Guidelines Amendment – Revision to the EESA Requirement for the Education Alternative to Certification; passed.
- 3) Resolution 2018-03 - Amendment and Restatement of the NCARB Model Rules of Conduct – passed.

4) Resolution 2018-04 – Amendment and Restatement of the NCARB Bylaws – passed.

Mr. McGhee was re-elected as Treasurer of Region 2. A presentation was made by Chairman McGhee to the assembly of delegates regarding the hosting by the DC Board on the NCARB 100th anniversary in June 2019, in Washington, DC. A promotional video of the city was also presented. The presentation by DC delegates was well-received.

All of the aforementioned resolutions were discussed with Region 2 before voting during the business session of the conference.

Report: CLARB/ASLA Licensure Summit – The value of regulation of landscape architecture. Mr. Lewis attended the CLARB-ASLA (American Society of Landscape Architecture) Licensure Summit, where considerable discussion and information was discussed regarding the need for licensure of Landscape Architects, as well as the need to educate the public and legislative bodies on the value of licensure. Some of the recommendations included having a Landscape Architecture Day, dialoging with the local chapter of ASLA, co-sponsoring courses on Landscape Architecture, and educating legislators and the public on Landscape Architecture. The deregulation of licensed professions was discussed, where there is a push nationally to deregulate certain professions, including landscape architecture. Mr. Lewis disseminated booklets on landscape architecture for educational purposes. Additionally, dialogue was started with the local chapter of ASLA representative at the summit (Potomac Chapter) on projects that can be worked on regarding licensing and education for landscape architects with the Board. Mr. Lewis also informed the participants at the summit that the DC Board had already asked a representative of the Potomac Chapter, when licensure is implemented, to serve on some education committees of the Board.

Regarding the CLARB Bylaws Vote, the Board authorize Mr. McGhee as the voting delegate at the upcoming CLARB Annual Conference. ? Was there a motion? If not, leave as is. I didn't see the verbiage.

Agenda Item: Review of Calendar

Region 2 2nd Biennial Educator/Practitioner Symposium will be held on October 4 and 5, 2018, in Philadelphia, PA

Agenda Item: Correspondence

None

Agenda Item: Old Business

None

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting September 14, 2018
1100 4th Street, SW, Room 300B, Washington, DC 20024

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Nesmith, and properly seconded by Ms. Borton, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronnie McGhee

Ronnie McGhee, Chair

Date: September 14, 2018

Transcriber: Patrice Richardson

Recorder: Patrice Richardson

Attachments