



TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

Application Review and Continuing Education Committee Meeting

April 27, 2017

William P. Hobby Building

333 Guadalupe Street, Tower II, Room 225

Austin, Texas 78701

MINUTES

- A. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present were Committee Chair W. David Prescott, II, P.G., Board Chairman C. Thomas Hallmark, PhD, P.G., Christopher Mathewson, PhD, P.G., PE.
- B. The minutes from the February 23, 2017 committee meeting were approved as written.
- C. Public comments: Dr. Mathewson addressed the Committee regarding a lecture he presented at Angelo State University covering the Fundamentals of Geology and Practice of Geology Examinations. The faculty ask if would be feasible to hold the examination administration in the West Texas area. Chairman Hallmark will assign a Committee to investigate the feasibility of offering the ASBOG® examination in two locations on the same day.
- D. The report on Licensing Data and exam statistics was presented.
- E. Applications for P.G. license or GIT certification and/or exam requests received:
 - a. Daniel Smith: Review of applicants request for waiver of the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology and Practice of Geology examinations. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board Mr. Smith's request for waiver of the Fundamentals and Practice of Geology examinations.
 - b. Elizabeth McConnell: Review of applicant's education to sit for the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology examination. The Committee granted Ms. McConnell request to sit for the exam.
 - c. Scott Meier: Review of applicant's graduate study for qualifying work experience credit for P.G. licensure. The Committee determined that Mr. Meier met the qualifying work experience and graduate study requirement for licensure in a vote of 3-1.
- F. Proposal of amendment to 22 TAC §851.20, Professional Geoscientist Licensing Requirements and Application Procedure. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board the proposed rule amendment as presented for posting to the Texas Register for public comments.
- G. Proposal of amendment to 22 TAC §851.21, Licensing Requirements-Examinations. After Committee discussion, staff were direct to change language and present at the next Committee meeting.
- H. Proposal of amendment to 22 TAC §851.23, Qualifying Experience Record. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board the proposed rule amendment as presented for posting to the Texas Register for public comments.
- I. Proposal of amendment to 22 TAC §851.25, Education. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board the proposed rule amendment as presented for posting to the Texas Register for public comments.
- J. Discussion of Committee recommendation to the Appointed Board to adopt a legislative recommendation to amend Texas Occupations Code §1002.254 Examinations to provide for the Appointed Board to establish criteria to qualify a person to sit for licensing examination(s).

The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board the proposed rule amendment as presented for posting to the Texas Register for public comments.

- K. Regarding development of consumer information/publications. Committee Chair David Prescott addressed the development of consumer information/agency publications for general distribution.
- L. The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.