**Application Review and Continuing Education Committee**

August 22, 2019 –9:00 a.m.

William P. Hobby Building

333 Guadalupe Street, Tower III,Room 102

Austin, Texas 78701

**MINUTES**

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. Members present were Committee Chair Steven Fleming, P.G., C. Thomas Hallmark, PhD, P.G., Drusilla Knight-Villarreal and Bereket Derie, PhD,P.G..
2. Approval of minutes from the April 25, 2019 committee meeting was approved as written.
3. No Public comments presented.
4. Staff Licensing Report: licensing data, ASBOG® exam statistics, and TGE exam statistics were presented.
5. The committee unanimously recommended to the full Board Mr. Saavedra’s request for a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals exam contingent upon receipt of verification of employment through December 1, 2019.
6. Potential actions to revise the Texas Geophysics Exam; item bank; Angoff scoring methods. Mr. Bowermeister was available by conference call to provide his statistical opinion of existing items and comparison of set Angoff scores with actual performance. The Committee directed staff to continue its efforts to coordinate with Jay Bowermeister, Gainesville Independent Testing, Inc. (GITs) to set up a workshop for potential actions to revise the exam.
7. Sunset Advisory Recommendations. Committee recommendation to the full Board regarding public comments received and adoption of the following rules:
   1. Adoption of amendments to 22 TAC 851.20, regarding the statutory notarization requirement for individuals applying for the Professional Geoscientist license (TOC 1002.253). No public comments received.
   2. Adoption of amendments to 22 TAC 851.20, 851.22, 851.23, and repeal of 851.24, regarding the statutory letter of reference requirement for individuals applying for a Professional Geoscientist license (TOC 1002.253, 1002.255, 1002.260). No public comments received.
   3. Adoption of amendments to 22 TAC 851.40, 851.41, regarding the letter of reference requirement for individuals applying to register as a Geoscientist-in-Training Certification. No public comments received.
8. Modifications of TBPG forms to coincide with rule changes were presented.
9. Formation of Advisory Committee. A draft blueprint of the process was discussed. The Committee provided recommended suggested changes/edits to the full Board.
10. Potential outreach initiatives were discussed.
11. The next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2019.
12. The meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.