



TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

Board Meeting

August 14, 2020, 1:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

The Board may discuss and take action regarding any of the following agenda items.

- A. Call to order, roll call, certification of quorum, order of business.
- B. Approval of minutes from the April 24, 2020 Board Meeting.
- C. Public comment (limited to five minutes per person; more or less time may be allotted as needed at the discretion of the Board Chair).
- D. Chair's Report: Outreach, status of Advisory Committees.
- E. Executive Director's Report: FTE Status, COVID-19 response, Four-Year Rule Review plans, Texas Geophysics Exams, SORM Management Review, Legislative planning, Legislative Appropriations Request.
- F. Ongoing Board Member training regarding rule making and related matters.
- G. Reports on recent Committee meetings. **(Tab 1)**
 1. Application Review and Continuing Education Committee meeting (08/13/2020)
 - Licensing Report: licensing data, ASBOG exam statistics, TGE exam statistics.
 - Board Waiver Policy
 - Overview of upcoming TBPG four year rule review of 22 TAC 850 and 851.
 - Status of Advisory Committee.
 - Potential outreach initiatives.
 2. Compliance and Enforcement Committee meeting (08/14/2020)
 - Compliance Report: Review of current compliance program statistics, recent CRT meetings; complaints dismissed by staff; enforcement penalties collected for General Revenue.
 - Update of penalty matrix.
 - Sunset Advisory Commission recommendations:
 - a. Implementation status of firm registration.
 - b. Possible future proposed rule amendments and repeals related to remove the firm registration requirement: 22 TAC 850.10, 850.62, 850.82, 851.10, 851.20, 851.29, 851.35, 851.80, 851.85, 851.101, 851.102, 851.103, 851.104, 851.105, 851.106, 851.107, 851.111, 851.112, 851.113, 851.151, 851.156, 851.157, 851.159, 851.204; 22 TAC 851.30 and 851.152.
 - Overview of upcoming TBPG four year rule review of 22 TAC 850 and 851.
 - Potential outreach initiatives.
 3. General Issues Committee meeting (08/14/2020)
 - Overview of upcoming TBPG four year rule review of 22 TAC 850 and 851.
 - Potential outreach initiatives.



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4. Financial Review/Strategic Planning Committee meeting (08/14/2020)
 - Financial Report for FY 2020, and discussion of LAR, Legislative Session, 5% Budget Reduction.
 - COVID-19 Expenses (supplies, laptop, upgrades, etc.)
 - Overview of upcoming TBPG four year rule review of 22 TAC 850 and 851.
- H. Applications for P.G. license received from the following individuals. **(Tab 2)**
 - A. Kimberly Tapia: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology examination.
 - B. Hernando Martinez-Sacristan: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology examinations.
 - C. Dr. Richard A MacKenzie: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology examinations.
 - D. Chris Armistead: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Practice of Geology examination.
 - E. Lauren A Cassel: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology examination.
 - F. Marcus Guidry: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology examinations.
 - G. Brian David: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology examination.
 - H. Walter Bloxsom: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology examinations.
- I. Emergency rules, policies and agency responses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- J. Legislative Appropriations Request.
- K. Overview of upcoming TBPG four year rule review of 22 TAC 850 and 851. **(Tab 3)**
- L. Potential public/private outreach initiatives.
- M. Future Board meetings, including dates and agenda items. **(Tab 4)**
- N. Adjournment.

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