



TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

Application Review and Continuing Education Committee Meeting

August 11, 2022, 12:00 p.m.

1801 Congress Avenue, Suite 7S.800

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MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:14 a.m. Members present were Committee Chair Mark Varhaug, P.G., Edward F. Janak, Jr., PG, Bereket Derie, PhD, P.G., and LaFawn Thompson.
2. Minutes from the August 11, 2022 committee meeting were approved as written.
3. No public comments were received.
4. Licensing Report: licensing data, ASBOG exam statistics, TGE exam statistics, and CSSE exam statistics were presented.
5. Review of applications for exam, work experience, and education waivers received prior to the date of the committee meeting, including:
 - A. Elizabeth McConnell: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the Education requirement. The Committee recommended to the Full Appointed Board the applicants request.
 - B. James Fluker: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the Texas Geophysics Examination (TGE). The Committee recommended to the Full Appointed Board the applicants request.
 - C. Anthony Zak: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations. The Committee recommended to the Full Appointed Board the applicants request.
 - D. Lauren Robinson: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations. The Committee recommended to the Full Appointed Board the applicants request to waiver the ASBOG Fundamental of Geology examination only.
 - E. James Levy: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations. The Committee recommended to the Full Appointed Board the applicants request.
 - F. Leah Parker: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Examination. The Committee recommended to the Full Appointed Board the applicants request.
6. Amendments to 22 TAC §851.22, Waivers and Substitutions: Policy, Procedures, and Criteria posted to the Texas Register. The Committee recommend to the Full Appointed Board the amendment as posted to the Texas Register.

7. License qualifications and criteria. The Committee discussed potentially developing rules to address the level of education and work experience that may be sufficient for PGs licensed in one discipline can be deemed qualified to practice in another discipline. The Committee to continue to discuss further.
8. Status of Advisory Committee related to licensing opportunities. No action taken.
9. Outreach initiatives were presented.
10. Future meetings, including dates, arrangements, and agenda items were discussed.
11. The meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.