

TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

BOARD MEETING

February 10, 2023, 10:30 a.m. 1801 Congress Avenue, Suite 7.800 Austin, Texas 78701

Videoconference call – Zoom

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AGENDA

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

- 1. Call to order, roll call, certification of quorum, order of business.
- 2. Approval of minutes from the November 18, 2022 Board Meeting.
- 3. Public comment (limited to five minutes per person; more or less time may be allotted as needed at the discretion of the Board Chair).
- 4. Chair's Report: The 88th Legislative Session.
- 5. Executive Director's Report: Operations and Staff Updates.
- 6. Reports on recent Committee meetings. (TAB 1)
 - A. Application Review and Continuing Education Committee meeting (02/09/23)
 - Licensing Report: licensing data, ASBOG exam statistics, TGE exam statistics, and CSSE exam statistics.
 - License qualifications and criteria.
 - Status of Advisory Committee related to licensing opportunities.
 - Outreach initiatives.
 - B. Compliance and Enforcement Committee meeting (02/09/23)
 - Compliance Report: Review of current compliance program statistics, recent CRT meetings; complaints dismissed by staff; enforcement penalties collected for General Revenue.
 - Ongoing review of Firm Registration.
 - Outreach initiatives.
 - C. General Issues Committee meeting (02/09/23)
 - Nontraditional licensing activities.
 - Outreach initiatives.
 - D. Financial Review/Strategic Planning Committee meeting (02/10/23)
 - Financial Report for FY 2023.
 - Lar 24-25.
 - 7. Applications for P.G. license, including requests for waivers and substitutions received prior to meeting date, including; (TAB 2)
 - A. William Farrar: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations.
 - B. David Correll: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Examination.
 - C. John Witmer: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Examination.



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- D. Leslie Boockoff: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations.
- E. Caroline Wachtman: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Examination.
- F. Sarah Deering: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations.
- G. James Nutaitis: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Examination.
- H. Mary Crist: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG Fundamentals of Geology Examination.
- 8. Proposed amendment to 22 TAC 851.43 GIT Certification Period and Renewal. (TAB 3)
- 9. Proposed amendment to 22 TAC 851.10 regarding Definitions. (TAB 4)
- 10. Proposed amendment to 22 TAC 851.156 regarding Professional Geoscientist Seals. (TAB 5)
- 11. Proposed Agreed Board Order for Complaint 2023-00017. (TAB 6)
- 12. Proposed Agreed Board Order for Complaint 2020-00007.
- 13. Potential public/private outreach initiatives.
- 14. Future Board meetings, including dates, arrangements, and agenda items.
- 15. Annual Board Member Training. Melissa Juarez, Assistant Attorney General, to provide training regarding laws applicable to members of a state policymaking body in performing their duties.
- 16. Adjournment.

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