

TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

BOARD MEETING

November 17, 2023, 8:30 a.m. 1801 Congress Avenue, Room 7.102 Austin, Texas 78701

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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 August 11, 2023 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 including TBPG's Role and Responsibility, Outreach, and P.G. Contributions in Texas.
- 5. Executive Director's Report including FY 2023 Review, Agency Annual Reporting, Operations, Staff Updates.
- 6. Reports on recent Committee meetings. (TAB 1)
 - A. Application Review and Continuing Education Committee meeting. (11/16/2023)
 - Licensing Report: licensing data, ASBOG exam statistics, TGE exam statistics, and CSSE exam statistics.
 - B. Compliance and Enforcement Committee meeting. (11/16/23)
 - Compliance Report: Review of current compliance program statistics, recent CRT meetings; complaints dismissed by staff; enforcement penalties collected for General Revenue.
 - Activities requiring licensure.
 - C. General Issues Committee meeting. (11/16/23)
 - Nontraditional licensing activities.
 - Outreach Initiatives.
 - D. Financial Review/Strategic Planning Committee meeting. (11/16/23)
 - Financial Report and FY 24 Budget.
 - 7. Review of applications for exam, work experience, and education waivers/substitution received prior to the date of the committee meeting, including: (TAB 2)
 - A. J Gary Mitchell: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of ASBOG Examination(s).
 - B. Alberto Rodriguez-Natal: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of ASBOG Examination(s).
 - C. Edward S. Feragen: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of ASBOG Examination(s).
 - D. Richard Lang: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of ASBOG Examination(s).
 - E. Keith Baily: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of ASBOG Examination(s).



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- F. Paul Bauman: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the Texas Geophysics Examination.
- G. Ahmed Ismail, PhD.: Applicant for PG licensure requesting a waiver of the Texas Geophysics Examination.
- 8. Adoption of new subchapter and new rule in 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 850: Subchapter E: Miscellaneous Board Procedures and Requirements; and 22 Tex. Admin. Code §850.221 Procurement and Bid Protest Procedures. (TAB 3)
- 9. Adoption of amendment to 22 TAC §851.22 Waivers and Substitutions: Policy, Procedures, and Criteria. (TAB 4)
- 10. Adoption of TBPG guidance policy regarding PG license multidiscipline designation. (TAB 5)
- 11. Public/private outreach initiatives.
- 12. Discussion Related to Agency/Board Legal Representation and Liability
- 13. Executive Director Compensation and Responsibilities.
- 14. Future Board meetings dates.
- 15. Adjournment.

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