



TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

Application Review and Continuing Education (AR/CE) Committee Meeting February 14, 2014

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MINUTES

- A. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 a.m.
- B. Members present were Committee Chair, Dr. C. Thomas Hallmark, P.G., Joseph P. DeWoody, Kelly Krenz-Doe, P.G., and Member Becky Johnson, P.G.
- C. Public Comments: Ms. Katherine Nelson, P.G., representing the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) was in attendance to answer any questions related to the proposed rules later on the agenda. No other comments were offered at this time.
- D. The AR/CE minutes from the November 21, 2013 were unanimously approved as amended.
- E. Regarding the Hearing on rule review per Texas Government Code §2001.039 (Administrative Procedure Act—agency four-year rule review) regarding rule sections assigned to the Committee: There were no public comments presented to the Committee. No action was taken.
- F. The Committee unanimously approved its proposed draft to present to the full Board to readopt, readopt with changes, or repeal rules (Administrative Procedure Act—agency four-year rule review) to the full Board for posting to the Texas Register for public comments.
- G. Regarding the following requests:
 - 1. Matthew Anding: PG applicant for licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG® Practice of Geology Examination. The Committee unanimously denied Mr. Anding's request.
 - 2. Kellam Colquitt: PG Applicant for licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology Examination. The Committee unanimously moved to recommend to the full Board Mr. Kellam's request.
 - 3. Bruce Ridpath: PG Applicant for licensure requesting a waiver of the ASBOG® Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations. The Committee unanimously denied Mr. Ridpath's request.
- H. Regarding the Education Code Chapter 57: Guaranteed Student Loans. Section §57.491: Loan Default Ground for Nonrenewal of Professional or Occupational License. The Committee directed staff to draft language for proposed rule and present at the next Committee meeting.
- I. Regarding Family Code Chapter 232: Suspension of License. Section §232.003. The Committee directed staff to draft language for proposed rule and present at the next Committee meeting.

- J. Regarding proposed modification to the TBPG Professional Reference (Form I) and the GIT Personal Reference (Form III). The Committee directed staff to consult with attorney George Noelke regarding any legal standing required by the TBPG.
- K. Regarding a possible reciprocity agreement with Ordre des géologues du Québec (Province of Québec Geologist Registration Program). The Committee directed staff to provide additional information regarding the examination requirements for licensure and present at the next Committee meeting.
- L. Regarding the progress of the Texas Geophysics Examination. An update on the status of the Texas Geophysics Examination was given by Committee Chair, Dr. C. Thomas Hallmark and Member Kelly Krenz-Doe, P.G.
- M. Discussion and possible action on Licensing Data and Equilibrium Number. The licensing chart was presented providing the license numbers. The Equilibrium Number data was also presented.
- N. Regarding future agenda items:
 - 1. Regarding Education Code Chapter 57: Guaranteed Student Loans
 - 2. Regarding Family Code Chapter 232: Suspension of License
 - 3. Regarding reciprocity agreement with Ordre des géologues du Québec
- O. The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.