



TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

Application Review and Continuing Education Committee

July 21, 2016

William P. Hobby Building
333 Guadalupe Street, Tower III, Room 102
Austin, Texas 78701

MINUTES

- A. The meeting was called to order at 9:12 a.m. Members present were Committee Chair W. David Prescott, II, P.G., Board Chairman C. Thomas Hallmark, PhD, P.G., and Steven Fleming, P.G. Member Joseph P. DeWoody was absent.
- B. The minutes from the April 28, 2016 committee meeting were approved as written.
- C. No public comments were presented.
- D. Proposal of amendment to 22 TAC §851.29, Endorsement and Reciprocal Licensure. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board the proposed rule amendment as modified for posting to the Texas Register for public comments.
- E. Proposal of amendment to 22 TAC §851.31, Temporary License, to be consistent with statutory requirements found in TGPA §1002.258. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board the proposed rule amendment for posting to the Texas Register for public comments.
- F. Determine whether TBPG's qualifying licensing examinations meet the Sunset Occupational Licensing Model's standard. The Committee determined that the ASBOG® and Council of Soil Science Examiners current processes of performing psychometric reviews relating the two organizations' examinations meet the requirement of the Sunset standard relating to this topic. The Committee further determined that the description of the psychometric review of the Texas Geophysics Examination, as described in the Texas Geophysics Examination Candidate Handbook also meets the Sunset standard.
- G. Review TBPG rules and processes related to: 1) qualifying applicants/examination candidates for examination and 2) administration for all parts of the ASBOG® and Texas Geophysics Examination (TGE). Dr. Derie and Mr. Horton agreed to lead the effort of working with Gainesville Independent Testing Service on the final set of improvements to the Texas Geophysics Examination Candidate Handbook. Staff was also assigned to develop a written procedure for the administration of the ASBOG® exam by staff.
- H. Review of the ASBOG® Practice Exam Waiver Request Policy. The Committee unanimously moved to recommend the proposed newly drafted criteria for waiver to the full Board for approval.
- I. The Committee moved to recommend the proposed policy for the waiver of the education requirement for licensure to the full TBPG Appointed Board for consideration and possible adoption as provided by Texas Occupations Code §1002.259.
- J. The Committee moved to recommend a draft policy criteria for providing the substitution of experience for the education requirement for licensure to the full TBPG Appointed Board for consideration and possible adoption as provided by Texas Occupations Code §1002.255(b).
- K. The Committee moved to recommend a draft policy statement concerning waiver of the experience requirement for licensure to the full TBPG Appointed Board for consideration and possible adoption.

- L. The Committee moved to recommend a draft examination accessibility policy for consideration and possible adoption by the full TBPG Appointed Board.
- M. Consider a draft written justification for the TBPG's use of the Texas Geophysics Examination.
- N. Updates of the status of the TBPG's recent reciprocity agreement requests were presented.
- O. The report on Licensing Data and exam statistics were presented.
- P. Applications for P.G. license received from the following individuals:
- Jorge Rangel Aldao: Applicant for P.G. license requesting a waiver of the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology and Practice of Geology examinations. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board Mr. Aldao's request to waive the ASBOG® Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations for P.G. licensure.
 - Dr. John Paul Brandenburg: Applicant for P.G. license requesting a waiver of the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology examination. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board Mr. Brandenburg's request to waive the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology Examination for P.G. licensure.
 - Jerry C. Eumont: Applicant for P.G. license requesting a waiver of the ASBOG® Fundamentals of Geology and Practice of Geology examinations. The Committee moved to recommend to the full Appointed Board Mr. Eumont's request to waive the ASBOG® Fundamentals and Practice of Geology Examinations for P.G. licensure
- Q. Date and agenda items for next meeting. The next Committee meetings are scheduled to be October 27, 2016. The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 28, 2016.
- R. The meeting adjourned at 12:57p.m.