

CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGNERS SECTION MEETING

MINUTES

The Certified Interior Designers Section of the Virginia Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects (APELSCIDLA Board) met on August 15, 2002, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 3600 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia, with the following members present:

M. Lou Barnett
Susan S. Orange

Staff present for all or part of the meeting were:

Mark N. Courtney, Assistant Director
Marian H. Brooks, Regulatory Board Administrator
Trisha L. Henshaw, Administrative Assistant
Susan Garbini, Legal Assistant

No representative from the Office of the Attorney General was present.

Finding a quorum of the Section present, Ms. Orange called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Call to Order

Ms. Orange moved to approve the agenda as written. Ms. Barnett seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members Barnett and Orange.

Approval of Agenda

Ms. Orange moved to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2002, Section meeting as written. Ms. Barnett seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members Barnett and Orange.

Approval of Minutes

No other respondent, counsel for respondent or other representative, or participant without an appointment was present to speak before the Section.

Call for Respondent

Regarding **File Number 2002-02276, Judy A. Failor**, the Section member reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the application file, transcript and exhibits, summary and recommendation of the presiding Board member, and additional information submitted by Ms. Failor at the request of the Board at its meeting on June 6, 2002. Ms. Failor was present to answer questions presented by Ms. Orange. Ms. Orange recommended that the Board accept the summary and recommendation of the presiding Board member and deny Ms. Failor's application for certification as an interior designer. Ms. Orange made this

File Number 2002-02276, Judy A. Failor

recommendation based on the fact that, after thorough review of the information submitted by Ms. Failor regarding the Bachelor of Science in Interior Design degree program at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, it does not appear that the program is substantially equivalent to a Foundation of Interior Design Education Research (FIDER)-accredited program. As the presiding Board member at the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, Ms. Barnett was not present during the discussion.

In reference to **File Number 2002-03701, Susan M. Jamieson**, the Section member reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the application file, transcript and exhibits, and summary and recommendation of the presiding Board member. Ms. Orange recommended that the Board accept the summary and recommendation of the presiding Board member and deny Ms. Jamieson's application for certification as an interior designer. Ms. Jamieson does not meet the requirements of 18 VAC 10-20-490.1 of the Board's 1999 regulations, which require, in part, two years of monitored experience. The Experience Verification forms submitted by Ms. Jamieson do not document acceptable monitored experience as she never practiced under the direct supervision of a licensed or certified professional. As the presiding Board member at the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, Ms. Barnett was not present during the discussion.

File Number
2002-03701,
Susan M.
Jamieson

Regarding **File Number 2002-02278, Valerie K. Schmidt**, the Section member reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the application file, transcript and exhibits, summary and recommendation of the presiding Board member, and additional information submitted by Ms. Schmidt at the request of the Board at its meeting on June 6, 2002. Ms. Orange recommended that the Board accept the summary and reject the recommendation of the presiding Board member and approve Ms. Schmidt's application for certification as an interior designer. Ms. Orange made this recommendation based on the fact that, after thorough review of the information submitted by Ms. Schmidt regarding her degree program, the Bachelor of Science in Interior Design degree program completed by Ms. Schmidt at Radford University is substantially equivalent to a FIDER-accredited degree program. As the presiding Board member at the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, Ms. Barnett was not present during the discussion.

File Number
2002-02278,
Valerie K.
Schmidt

The Section members were provided with the draft regulations related to certified interior designers (Part VII) as discussed in the Regulatory Review Committee of the APELSCIDLA Board. Barbara Goodwin, representative of the Council of Certified Virginia Interior Designers (CCVID), made a recommendation that the Board change the regulations to include "a professional program approved by the board" as one of the acceptable educational requirements. The Section members indicated that this phrase

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has been included in the draft regulations. Mr. Courtney requested that Ms. Orange assume Ms. Barnett's position as representative of the Interior Designers Section on the Regulatory Review Committee once Ms. Barnett is replaced by the Governor. Mr. Courtney also indicated that Mr. Lowe has additional changes that he will be making to the comity provisions of Part VII of the draft regulations so that it will coincide with the statute. These additional changes will be provided at the next Regulatory Review Committee meeting currently scheduled for August 29, 2002.

The Section members were provided with information from the National Council of Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ). This information included a memorandum requesting any proposed resolutions that the Board may wish to submit for consideration at the next Annual Meeting scheduled for November 15-18, 2002, in New Orleans, Louisiana. After discussion, the Section members indicated that they had no resolutions that they wished to present.

**Review
Information
from NCIDQ**

The Section members were also provided with the NCIDQ Financial Reports for the first quarter of fiscal year 2002 for informational purposes.

Sandra Munari, representative of CCVID, spoke to the Section regarding a suggested change to the draft regulations. Ms. Munari requested that the sentence "the Board reserves the right to reject, for good cause, any evaluation submitted" be added to the proposed definition of "professional program approved by the board." The Section members directed staff to incorporate this change into the draft regulations under consideration by the Regulatory Review Committee.

Public Comment

Barbara Goodwin, representative of CCVID, spoke to the Section regarding the structure of various businesses regulated by the Board. Ms. Goodwin questioned the ownership requirements for professional corporations that offer professional services.

Mr. Courtney stated that due to a reorganization within the Office of the Attorney General, the counsel to the Board has been reassigned. Lisa Rowley, Assistant Attorney General, has replaced Brian McCormick as counsel to the Board.

Other Business

Mr. Courtney also announced that there is a new Deputy Director of the Regulatory Programs Division. Karen W. O'Neal, former Assistant Director, was selected to fill this new position.

Conflict of Interest forms were completed by all members present and are attached herewith.

**Conflict of
Interest Forms**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Adjourn

Susan S. Orange, Chair

Louise Fontaine Ware, Secretary

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