

ARCHITECTS SECTION MEETING

MINUTES

The Architects Section of the Virginia Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects (APELSCIDLA Board) met on February 3, 2015, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, with the following members present:

Robert A. Boynton
Clint Good
Christine Snetter

Board staff present for all or part of the meeting were:

Kathleen R. (Kate) Nosbisch, Executive Director
Amy Goobic, Administrative Assistant

Agency staff present for all or part of the meeting was:

Jay W. DeBoer, Director

Ms. Snetter, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

Call to Order

Ms. Snetter advised the Section of the emergency evacuation procedures.

Emergency Evacuation Procedures

Ms. Snetter welcomed and introduced Helene Combs Dreiling, Executive Vice President and CEO of the Virginia Society of the American Institute of Architects (VSAIA). Ms. Nosbisch provided a brief bio for Ms. Dreiling, Section members and staff introduced themselves.

Introduction of Helene Combs- Dreiling, Executive VP/CEO, VSAIA

Mr. Boynton asked that a brief regulatory update be added to the agenda and Mr. Good asked for a discussion on changing the time of the Section meeting be added. Ms. Nosbisch stated that the two items would be addressed under 'Other Business.'

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Good moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Boynton seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members: Boynton, Good and Snetter.

There was no public comment.

Public Comment Period

Ms. Dreiling provided an overview of VSAIA and informed the Section

VSAIA Overview

members that she will be overseeing regulatory issues. Ms. Dreiling stated that she has just completed a term as National AIA President, which will be highly beneficial in her new role with the Virginia Society. Ms. Dreiling reviewed changes planned for the VSAIA members including: membership as an experience, not only to have AIA behind their name; elevating service and support across Virginia; and insuring members understand the value of their dues. Ms. Dreiling also discussed 'repositioning' the VSAIA, due to cultural change, in order for the public's perception to change and understand the importance of architects and architecture. Ms. Dreiling also highlighted a more collaborative effort with communities, education and alliances, such as with NCARB and the APELSCIDLA Board.

Ms. Dreiling discussed efforts to be implemented to assist emerging professionals, working with firms to encourage career development, and a more logical pathway to licensure. Additionally, try and build a strong public message about what the VSAIA and AIA do.

Mr. Good inquired as to specifics for repositioning. Ms. Dreiling stated that she will provide Section members information that was sent to the Board of Directors. She further commented that the "Inform" magazine has a new publisher, and will be a useful tool in repositioning efforts and discussed revamping the ArchEx. Ms. Dreiling reported that VSAIA will also research new avenues for revenue, to not solely depend on member dues. There are a few legislative issues the VSAIA is concentrating on and more information will be disseminated through the newsletter.

Ms. Nobsch thanked Ms. Dreiling for coming to speak with the Section as it was beneficial to have her perspective. Ms. Dreiling reiterated her goal of a collaborative relationship with the Board and DPOR, and added that she appreciated having the aspect of the different professions of a composite Board.

Ms, Dreiling departed the meeting.

Departure of Ms. Dreiling

Ms. Nobsch provided candidacy announcements for NCARB Board of Directors as follows:

NCARB Update

For President-Elect/First Vice President:

- Second Vice President Margo P. Jones, AIA, LEED AP, from Massachusetts
- Treasurer Kristine Harding, AIA, NCARB, from Alabama

For Second Vice President: • Secretary Gregory L. Erny, AIA, NCARB, from Nevada

For Treasurer: • Region 5 Director David L. Hoffman, FAIA, of Region 5, from Kansas

For Secretary: • Region 4 Director Terry L. Allers, AIA, NCARB, from Iowa
• Region 3 Director Anne Kolman Smith, AIA, from Georgia

Ms. Nosbisch commented that she had worked with all of the candidates during her time on the BOD, and they were all highly qualified.

Ms. Nosbisch informed Section members of upcoming NCARB meetings – the Regional Summit meeting will be March 12-14, in Long Beach, CA and the Annual meeting in June will be held in New Orleans. Ms. Nosbisch also informed Section members that applications for fiscal year 2016 committee service are due March 9 to NCARB.

Ms. Snetter provided a report from the NCARB MBE/MBC conference she attended October 30-November 2, 2014, in Indianapolis, IN. Ms. Snetter reported that the main topics of discussion were IDP streamlining, IDP overhaul and BEA/BEFA.

Ms. Snetter stated that amongst the Regions, there are concerns with moving too quickly on changes to IDP, that issues need to be addressed one at a time instead of instituting several changes at once. Ms. Nosbisch added that although changes may be made to Model Law, it is a guideline.

Ms. Nosbisch provided additional NCARB updates. The Committee Summit meeting January 30-31, reviewed changes to the BEA/BEFA and will present results to the Regional Summit meeting, March 11-14, for voting. The changes will then go to the Board of Directors to be considered for resolutions, which will be presented at the Annual meeting in June. Ms. Nosbisch also reported that NCARB is researching datasharing capabilities with state licensing Boards.

Section members recessed from 10:45 a.m. until 10:55 a.m.

Recess

Section members participated in two online surveys for NCARB during the meeting. The first regarding the Board's position on changes to IDP, the second survey was regarding NCARB services.

NCARB Update

Discussion was held on the Licensure Task Force and the RFP for an Accelerated Path to Architectural Licensure sent to NAAB accredited schools. The proposals are due June 1. Mr. Boynton commented that it

doesn't seem they have discussed with NAAB. Ms. Nosbisch stated that there will more than likely be discussion at the upcoming Regional meeting. Section members suggested reaching out to the Virginia NAAB accredited schools to see if they responded to proposal. Ms. Nosbisch will report back to the Board.

Section members reviewed correspondence received from DEQ in response to APELSCIDLA Board letter sent in December regarding DEQ regulation 9VAC25-870-55. As the letters pertain to the Professional Engineers, this was for informational purposes only. The letter will be reviewed at the PE and LS Sections meeting February 4, and the full Board meeting March 17.

Other Business

Section members were provided exam statistics from 2013 for informational purposes. 2014 statistics were not available yet.

Ms. Nosbisch stated that the regulatory package is under review with the Secretary of Commerce & Trade, it will then go to the Governor's office for review. Ms. Nosbisch will provide a regulatory update to Ms. Dreiling as requested by Mr. Boynton.

Mr. Good asked Section members to consider changing the start time of the Section meetings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Mr. Good move to change the start time to 10:00 a.m. Mr. Boynton seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by Boynton, Good and Snetter.

Conflict of Interest forms were completed by all members present.

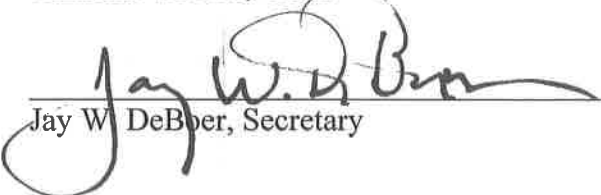
Conflict of Interest Forms

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Adjourn



Christine Snetter, Chair



Jay W DeBoer, Secretary

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

1. Name: Christine Snetter
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Architects Section/APELSCIDLA Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Section Meeting February 3, 2015

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

NONE

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

C. Snetter
Signature

2/3/15
Date

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Clint Good
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Architects Section/APELSCIDLA Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Section Meeting February 3, 2015

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Signature

2/3/15
Date

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Robert A. Boynton
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Architects Section/APELSCIDLA Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Section Meeting February 3, 2015

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

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I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Robert A. Boynton
Signature

2.3.2015
Date