

Indiana Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists

July 24, 2014

Board Members Present

John Steinmetz, Chair
Tom Bruns
Chad Crabtree
Lee Florea
Mark Howell

Others Present

DeAnn Reinhart, Licensing Coordinator
Sherry Cazee, Licensing Coordinator
Philip Thompson, Board Counsel

Visitors Present

Juliet Port
Jennifer Hallgarth

Open Session

John Steinmetz called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. A quorum of the Board was present, so official business could be conducted.

John Steinmetz introduced DeAnn Reinhart and Sherry Cazee, the new Licensing Co-Coordinators.

The minutes of the January 30, 2014 meeting were voted on and approved.

John Steinmetz presented statistics related to the past eight years of ASBOG examinations given, LPG licenses issued, LPG license renewals, LPG license expirations without renewal, and fiscal year ending balances. Trends in these data will be used to inform the Board as it considers a proposed FY2015/16 budget at its next meeting. Mark Howell asked about the long-term trend in slightly decreasing ending balances. John Steinmetz will examine this trend and report back to the Board with recommendations.

The Board voted on and approved the re-election of John Steinmetz as the Board Chair and the election of DeAnn Reinhart as the Secretary to the Board. Philip Thompson suggested considering electing a vice-chair. The consensus of the Board was that it really was not necessary at this time.

Mark Howell will complete his second 4-year term as a Board Member on December 31, 2014, and he is Chair of the search committee soliciting applications for the position. He reported that he is actively contacting representatives from the PGI, AIPG-Illinois/Indiana Chapter, Indiana Geological Survey, and the Indiana-Kentucky Geological Society seeking the names of individuals who will serve on the review committee or who might be interested in applying for Board Membership. He asked the professional societies to help disseminate the announcement for volunteers and applicants. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2014.

The Board discussed the complaint against John M. Shamo (LPG #1903). He has been accused of misrepresenting the fact that he holds a masters degree in geology and that he has pled guilty to 12 Class C felonies in Posey County Circuit Court. Motion made by Mark Howell to file a complaint and seconded by Chad Crabtree. The Board voted on and approved unanimously. Philip Thompson and John Steinmetz will prepare the complaint.

The Board reviewed, discussed, and voted on the following applications for licensure as a professional geologist in the state of Indiana:

<i>Kyle Amberger</i>	Tom Bruns moved for approval. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Joseph Brodowki</i>	Lee Florea moved for approval. Chad Crabtree seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Jennifer Hallgarth</i>	Mark Howell moved for approval. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Leonard Hinrichs</i>	Chad Crabtree moved for approval. Tom Bruns seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Jason Krothe</i>	John Steinmetz moved for approval. Chad Crabtree seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Daniel Lupton</i>	Tom Bruns moved for approval. Mark Howell seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Andrew Markoski</i>	Lee Florea moved for approval. Tom Bruns seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Michael McCann</i>	Mark Howell moved for approval. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously approved pending reviewing his previous file as he was being re-instated.
<i>Pilar Cuadra Monreal</i>	Chad Crabtree moved for approval. Lee Florea seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Lindsay Perazzo</i>	John Steinmetz moved for approval. Tom Bruns seconded. Unanimously approved.
<i>Michael Prentice</i>	John Steinmetz moved for approval. Tom Bruns seconded. Unanimously approved.

Discussion about the ASBOG Annual Meeting November 12-13, 2014. It will be held at Embassy Suites in Indianapolis. John Steinmetz invited Board participation. The Board budget can cover the cost of accommodations and registration. There will be no field trip this year.

The Board invited visitor comments or questions. None were given.

The Board agreed to schedule the next meeting on December 18, 2014 in Indianapolis. The details of the meeting will be posted on the InBLPG Web site.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.