

MINUTES

UTAH PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS LICENSING BOARD MEETING

October 14, 2010

Room – 464, 4th Floor - 09:00 A.M.
Heber Wells Building
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED: 9:00 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 10:07 A.M.

Bureau Manager
Bureau Secretary

Richard J. Oborn
Lee Avery

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dan Matthews, Chairperson
Richard Allis
William Loughlin
William Lund
Daniel Horns

DOPL Employees:

Susan Higgs, Compliance Specialist

Guests:

Niall Henshaw

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes dated June 10, 2010. Mr. Lund motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Horns. The motion carried unanimously.

Introductions:

The Board members introduced themselves. Mr. Oborn introduced himself, Ms. Avery, and Ms. Higgs.

Consideration of option to elect new Board Chairperson

Mr. Allis moved to maintain Mr. Matthews as the chairperson, seconded by Mr. Lund. The motion carried unanimously.

Elect Board vice-chairperson

Mr. Horns nominated Mr. Loughlin as the vice chairperson, seconded by Mr. Lund. The motion carried unanimously.

Compliance Report:

Ms. Higgs reviewed the compliance unit's procedures and forms with the Board. Ms. Higgs noted that

there is one individual on probation with this Board and that he will meet with the Board once he is released from jail. The Board reviewed Mr. Copfer's stipulation.

DISCUSSION:

1. Investigation report regarding disciplining of Torrey J. Copfer and other investigations. Wayne Jeppson

Mr. Oborn advised the Board that there is no further information regarding other investigations at this time. Mr. Oborn reviewed the investigation process with the Board.

2. Education & Enforcement Fund

The status of the Education and Enforcement Fund as of July 2010 was reviewed.

3. Continuing Education workshops, Mr. Niall Henshaw

Mr. Henshaw met with the Board and reviewed a preliminary proposal for use of funds from the Education and Enforcement Fund for funding of an association CE course. Mr. Henshaw stated he is scheduling this conference for Spring 2011. The Board noted that the first conference was very successful. Mr. Henshaw stated that this second conference is a continuation of the first conference and reviewed the preliminary application. Mr. Henshaw stated he is looking for instructors. Mr. Matthews volunteered to review what a professional is and what is needed in the geological reports. Mr. Oborn volunteered to review the Professional Geologist Practice Act and the Professional Geologist Practice Act Rule and the Division's procedures. The Board discussed other possible instructors. Mr. Lund motioned to give a preliminary approval for Mr. Henshaw to proceed with the conference and to keep everyone on the Board advised, seconded by Mr. Loughlin. The motion carried unanimously.

NEST MEETING SCHEDULED:

February 10, 2011

2011 Board meetings have been tentatively scheduled:

February 10, June 16, October 13

ADJOURN:

The Board meeting adjourned at 10:07 A.M:

Note: This report is not intended to be a verbatim transcript, but is intended to record the significant features of what was discussed in the meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily arranged in chronological order

February 10, 2011
Date:

(ss) Dan H. Matthews
Chairperson, Utah Professional Geologist Licensing
Board

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Date:

(ss) Richard J. Oborn
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational and
Professional Licensing