Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation Division of Professional Regulation Illinois Board of Licensing for Professional Geologists

Open Session: August 27, 2024

Call to order at 11:15 a.m. by David Heidlauf

Roll call: Steven E. Brown, Member Absent: Steven E. Brown, Member

Becky Kazmierski, Member David T. Heidlauf, Member Christopher Stohr, Member Adam Kittler, Member Simon Broomhead, Member

Staff: Greg Largent

Janel Haretoun

Guests: None

Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman

The election was tabled to the January meeting. Each member in attendance is new to the Board and wanted to experience the meeting process and gain a better understanding of their responsibilities before taking this action.

Public Comment, Announcements & Correspondence

None

Legislative Update

None

Approval of Open Minutes

No meeting minutes were available from the most recent meeting. No minutes were considered.

Old Business

None

New Business

Janel Haretoun led discussion on the Sunset of the Professional Geologist Licensing Act. Janel is working on a draft to modernize the Act. She indicated that stake holders will have an opportunity to review and respond to the draft revisions before it is introduced as a bill in the General Assembly. She further encouraged the Board to submit any and all substantive suggestions for change to her by October 31, 2024.

Due to the timeframe established, the Board wanted an opportunity to meet again prior to the proposed deadline. Therefore, a Board meeting was tentatively set for September 19, 2024.

David Heidlauf indicated that Deana Snyed from the Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) is interested in addressing the Board. It was determined she should be invited to attend and be placed on the January agenda.

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Chris Stohr requested that the Board consider Continuing Education (CE) requirements for Licensed Geologists. Janel confirmed that the Act currently allows the Board to make recommendations on matters relating to continuing education. CE would be incorporated by Rule and considering that the Act is currently in sunset this topic should be revisited at the January meeting.

The Board was not prepared to review Closed Session items. The Board did not enter Closed Session.

Chairman Notes

David Heidlauf requested more detail regarding the responsibilities of the Board. He also requested clarification on Open Session versus Closed Session. Greg and Janel elaborated on the topics.

Liaison Notes

E-mail forwarded to the Board regarding the ASBOG Fall meeting and workshops.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is January 14, 2025. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 19, 2024.

MOTION BY Simon Broomhead and a SECOND BY Becky Kazmierski to adjourn the meeting. All in Favor. The MOTION is approved and the meeting is adjourned *at* 12:42p.m.