

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
ILLINOIS BOARD OF REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGN PROFESSIONALS

Open Minutes

Illinois Board of Registered Interior Design Professionals

Date: July 9, 2025
Convened: 9:11 am
Adjourned: 11:22 am
Location: Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX

Members Present: Valerie Jardon, Chair
Belinda O'Kelly, Vice-Chair
Leverette Bryant, Public Member
Amanda Voorhees, Member

Member(s) Absent: Michelle Gillette-Murphy, Member

Staff Present: Kyle Lazell, Board Executive
Ann Erickson, IDFPR General Counsel
Gwendolyn Payton, IDFPR
Tia Davis, IDFPR

Guests Present: Matt Barusch, CIDQ
Marcy Merola, IIDA

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 9:11 am.
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**1. Board Member
Comments**

Ms. Jardon welcomed everyone and asked if anyone had announcements or correspondence.

No comments.

2. Guest Comments

Mr. Barusch thanked the Board for allowing him to attend and noted that CIDQ is happy to assist with any sunset reviews. He also reminded the Board of the upcoming CIDQ national conference in Denver, CO on November 7-8, 2025.

3. Board Executive Report

A. Rules Update

Mr. Lazell stated the Rule amendments were reviewed by JCAR and he anticipates receiving notice soon that they were accepted. At which time, an email blast to all active registrants with the changes will take place.

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- 4. Review of Open Minutes** The Board reviewed the open minutes of the October 31, 2024, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Bryant/O'Kelly) to accept the open minutes as amended. Motion passed with a quorum of members present.
- 5. Ongoing Business** Ms. O'Kelly asked if there was further development of the sealing issue with Chicago/Cook County.
- Ms. Merloa noted there has not been any forward movement. She also stated IIDA continues to monitor the situation and are looking for ways to provide information to code officials that shows the requirement.
- 6. Sub-Committee Reports**
- A. Association Awareness No news to report.
- 7. New Business**
- A. RID Act Sunset Discussion Mr. Lazell shared the statute will be sunset on January 1, 2027 and as required by statute, DPR is seeking input from the Board as to any updates that may be pertinent for the profession.
- The Board discussed the request, and consensus was to submit any comments to Mr. Lazell by July 21st.
- B. General Discussion No items discussed.
- Motion to go into Closed Session:** Motion was made, seconded (Bryant/Jardon) to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2c (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:03 am. Motion passed with a quorum of members voting yes via roll call.
- 8. Closed Session**

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A. Review of Closed
Minutes

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The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the October 31, 2024,
meeting.

**Moved back into Open
Session:**

Board Chair moved back into Open Session at 10:04 am.

9. Motions and Reminders:

Motion to approve closed
minutes and keep closed:

Motion was made, seconded (O'Kelly/Bryant) to accept the closed
minutes as amended and keep them closed. Motion passed with a
quorum of members.

Record Retention Motion:

Motion was made, seconded (Bryant/O'Kelly) to authorize DPR to
dispose of all closed session recordings of the board for the years
2004 to 2023. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

Reminders:

Mr. Lazell reminded the Board the next scheduled meeting is
October 21, 2025 and to turn in travel vouchers for reimbursement.

10. Adjournment

Motion was made, seconded (Bryant/Jardon) to adjourn the
meeting. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 am.