

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: December 5, 2011

PLACE: Department of Business Regulation (DBR)

1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg 68-1 Conference Room

Cranston, RI 02920

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair David R. Prengaman; Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman; and Member David L. DeQuattro

MEMBERS ABSENT: Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor

OTHERS PRESENT: Dawne Broadfield, Board Executive

Brian J. Riggs, DBR, Administrator, Financial Management (Present at 1:12 p.m. to 2:19 p.m.)

OTHERS ABSENT: Louis A. DeQuattro, Jr., Esq., CPA, DBR Deputy Director & Counsel

CALLED TO ORDER: Chair Prengaman called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.

to commence Board business.

A. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

(1) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to approve the open meeting minutes of November 14, 2011 as published. Member DeQuattro seconded.

Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman,

and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(2) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to approve and seal the executive session meeting minutes of the November 14, 2011 as published. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(1) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to convene into executive session at 1:15 p.m. pursuant to RI General Laws, §42-46-5 (a)(2) for sessions or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation and §42-46-5 (a)(4) for investigative proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(2) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to adjourn from executive session and to reconvene to an open meeting at 2:10 p.m. pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-4. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L.

DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(3) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to seal the executive session and record the votes taken in executive session pursuant to RI General Laws §42-46-4 and §42-46-5. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

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(4) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to record the votes taken in executive session in accordance with RI General Laws §42-46-4 as follows: Items A, B and C were continued. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(5) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved pursuant to RI General Law §42-46-4 that the Board defer disclosure of all votes in executive session until such time as such disclosure would not jeopardize any strategy, negotiation, or investigation undertaken concerning RI General Law §42-46-5(a). Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L.

DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(6) In Executive Session closed matters, the vote was zero (0) to zero (0) to close 0 matters, with no (0) recusals.

(7) In Executive Session pending matters, there are three (3) pending matters, comprised of one (1) investigative matter and two (2) registration matters with no (0) recusals.

C. OLD BUSINESS

(1) General Laws – (Design Competition and Fishing)

Chair Prengaman indicated that at the last meeting the Board requested that Mrs. Broadfield send an e-mail to the MBE's in the New England Conference of Architectural Registration Boards (NECARB) regional states and inquire if these states have on their agendas for discussion the adoption of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards' (NCARB) Model Law to incorporate "Design Competition" and "Fishing," and if not, is it on their radar screen.. Mrs. Broadfield sent that e-mail via the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards' (NCARB) group e-mail and did not receive any responses.

Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to continue. Member DeQuattro seconded. Discussion occurred. Member DeQuattro indicated that he received some information from Raymond DeCesare, former Board

Chair, who was on the Board at the time that the Certificate of Authorization (COA) was implemented who indicated that the COA was initiated to slow down the activity from other states for work in this State. Mr. DeCesare told Member DeQuattro that he would not be in favor of this law change. Vice-Chair Feibelman commented that the Board has recommended this be proposed for legislation. As DBR goes forward and this becomes pending legislation, there will be opportunity for comment by the public through the legislative process. The Board will then notify the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and NCARB for comment. Chair Prengaman will contact Attorney DeQuattro for an update. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(2) Rules and Regulations – (Review for Updating)

Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to continue pending review of Mrs. Broadfield's first draft. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

D. NEW BUSINESS

(1) No new business at this time.

E. National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) Information and Updates)-(Review/Take Action)

(1) NCARB – News Clips – Six NCARB Grants Awarded Totaling \$75,000 – Recipients Strive for Innovation in Architecture Education – So noted.

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F. APPLICATIONS

1. RECIPROCAL REGISTRATION REQUESTS FROM INDIVIDUALS REGISTERED IN OTHER STATES SEEKING REGISTRATION IN RHODE ISLAND

(A) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to approve the following reciprocal registration requests as submitted with an expiration date of December 31, 2013. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(1) COLDHAM, Bruce (5) HENRY, Richard R.

(2) DRAHEIM, James R. (6) HONE, Keith

(3) HARTMAN, Thomas RC (7) ROSS, Janet

(4) HENGST, Kevin

2. REGISTRATION REINSTATEMENT REQUESTS FROM INDIVIDUALS REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF HIS/HER RHODE ISLAND REGISTRATION.

(A) No applications at this time.

3. INITIAL REGISTRATION REQUESTS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE REQUIRED EDUCATION, INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (IDP) AND THE ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION EXAMINATION (ARE) THROUGH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION BOARDS (NCARB) DIRECT REGISTRATION PROGRAM

(A) Vice-Chair Feibleman moved to approve the Initial Registration request via submittal of a NCARB record for the following individual listed below as a result of completing all the requirements listed above, upon receipt of the required sixty-dollar (\$60) Initial Registration fee and "Tax Payer Status Affidavit" as presented with the expiration date of December 31, 2013. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(1) REMILLARD, Mark

4. CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION (COA) APPLICATIONS (See

Attached List)

(A) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to approve the applications for the Certificates of Authorization for the Sole Proprietorships for Christopher O. Placco and Constantine L. Tsomides as submitted. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(B) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to approve the late renewal application for the Certificate of Authorization for the Sole Proprietorships for Robert Christian Schmitt, Architect, #A-10,698, as submitted. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(C) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to approve the Amended Name Change Application for the Certificate of Authorization for the Corporation for Graham Meus Inc. Architects DBA GMI Architects (#A-14,345), former name Graham Meus Inc Architects as submitted. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro.

Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(D) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to approve the Amended Name Change Application for the Certificate of Authorization for the Corporation for SGA Design Group, P.C. (#A-14,465), former name Scott & Goble Architects as submitted. Member DeQuattro seconded.

Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

(E) Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to conditionally approve the applications for the Certificate of Authorization for the Corporation for DAI Architect Inc. as submitted pending receipt of a “Certificate of Good Standing” issued by the Rhode Island Secretary of State’s Office. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

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G. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Prengaman announced that the next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., at the DBR, The John O. Pastore Center, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Conference Room 68-1, Cranston, RI 02920. Vice-Chair Feibelman moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor and two (2) absent. Voting in favor were Chair David R. Prengaman, Vice-Chair Barbara Feibelman, and Member David L. DeQuattro. Secretary Christian J. Ladds and Member John K. Grosvenor were absent from this vote.

Respectfully submitted,

**David R. Prengaman, AIA
Chair**

DRP/dmb

• Posted on January 10, 2012 electronically on Secretary of State's Office website. Pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-6(b), business not included in this notice may be considered with the consent of the majority of the members, and/or may convene into Executive (closed) Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-5.

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**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION (COA) APPLICATIONS
Board Meeting of DECEMBER 5, 2011**

SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS

CHRISTOPHER O. PLACCO - 0 - RI APPROVED – 12/05/11

**ROBERT CHRISTIAN SCHMITT, ARCHITECT \$60. SC APPROVED –
12/05/11**

#A-10,698

(Late Renewal – See Explanation Attached)

CONSTANTINE L. TSOMIDES \$100. MA APPROVED – 12/05/11

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES

CORPORATIONS

DAI ARCHITECT INC. \$100. MA APPROVED – 12/05/11

GRAHAM MEUS INC. ARCHITECTS

DBA GMI ARCHITECTS \$50. RI APPROVED – 12/05/11

#A-14,345 - Name Change from:

Graham/Meus Inc. Architects

SGA DESIGN GROUP, P.C. \$50. OK APPROVED – 12/05/11

#A-14,465 - Name Change from:

Scott & Goble Architects

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