

**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION (DBR)
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg. 68-2
Cranston, Rhode Island 02920**

**Division of
Design Professionals BOARD OF EXAMINATION AND
REGISTRATION OF ARCHITECTS
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: June 16, 2014

**PLACE: Department of Business Regulation (DBR)
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg 68-1 Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor (Present from 1:16 p.m. to 2:57 p.m.), Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Secretary David R. Prengaman

OTHERS PRESENT: Jenna Algee, Esq., DBR Legal Counsel (Present from 1:11 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

Dawne Broadfield, Board Executive

CALLED TO ORDER: Chair Ladds called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

A. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

(1) Member Feibelman moved to approve the open meeting minutes of May 19, 2014. Vice-Chair Grosvenor seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor, one (1) abstained and one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Member Feibelman. Chair Christian J. Ladds abstained since he was not present at that meeting. Secretary David R. Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(2) Member Feibelman moved to approve and seal the executive session meeting minutes of the May 19, 2014 as published. Vice-Chair Grosvenor seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor, one (1) abstained and one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Member Feibelman. Chair Christian J. Ladds abstained since he was not present at that meeting. Secretary David R. Prengaman was absent from this vote.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(1) Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to convene into executive session at 1:37 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 Feibelman seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members

David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(2) Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to adjourn from executive session and to reconvene to an open meeting at 2:20 p.m. pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-4. Member Feibelman seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(3) Vice-Chair Grosvenor 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 Feibelman seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

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(4) Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to record the votes taken in executive session in accordance with RI General Laws §42-46-4 as follows: Motion was made to continue agenda items 1.A, B, C, E, and F, and 2.H and to close agenda items 1.D and 2.G. Member Feibelman seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent.

Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(5) Vice-Chair Grosvenor 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 Feibelman seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(6) In Executive Session closed matters, the vote was four (4) to zero (0) to close two (2) matters with no recusals. Each vote was unanimous at the time that it was taken with one (1) Board Member absent.

(7) In Executive Session pending matters, there are six (6) pending matters, comprised of three (3) investigation matters and three (3) registration matters with one (1) Board Member absent and one Board Member (1) recusal in one (1) matter.

C. OLD BUSINESS

(1) Rules and Regulations – Public Hearing – 1:00 p.m.

The Public Hearing was called to order on Monday, June 16, 2014, at 1:13 p.m. by Jenna Algee, Esq., DBR Hearing Officer, for the purposes of receiving public comment on the proposed amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Examination and Registration of Architects. Comments were received from Vada Seccareccia and Jonathan Matthew Taylor. No members of public were present to comment. The public hearing ended.

Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved that the Board respond to both comment letters received pointing out that the Board is following and streamlining its Rules and Regulations to match those of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) Model Language, and in this particular case, the language is exactly as recommended by NCARB for Interns. The Board is planning to leave the language “as is.” Member Feibelman seconded. Motion passed, 3-0, three (3) in favor, one (1) abstained and one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Chair Christian J. Ladds abstained from the vote. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(2) Board Member Appointment

The Board has been notified that the Governor appointed Thomas Lonardo to the Board with a Senate Hearing for confirmation today at 3:00 p.m.

D. NEW BUSINESS

(1) Any other new business to come before the Board. No new business at this time.

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

(1) NCARB Announcements, Publications, etc. – So noted with no comments.

(2) NCARB 2014 Annual Meeting - Philadelphia, PA – June 18-22, 2014

• Final Resolutions

Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to support Resolution C in that those that are serving as Officers on the NCARB Board actually be Members of NCARB. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved that Resolutions A, B, and D be approved as presented by NCARB. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent

from this vote.

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- **Officer Candidates**

Chair Ladds moved to give the authority to Secretary Prengaman to choose the candidate best suited for NCARB Board of Directors' Secretary position in the contested case. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

- **Committee Appointments**

Vice-Chair Grosvenor has accepted the invitation from NCARB to be a Committee Member on the ARE 5.0 Practice Component Committee.

F. APPLICATIONS

(1) REGISTRATION(S) FOR REGISTRATION PROCESSED BY THE BOARD EXECUTIVE

The Board reviewed application actions issued by the Board Executive and so noted. See list attached. Individuals granted reciprocity are as follows: Donald Bush, Timothy Johnston, Erskine E. Chaffin, Jr., James Gaddis, Richard Borrelli, Joseph J. Matis, Eric Lee Krull, Joel Sanders, Daniel Boyne, Robert Noblett and reciprocity reinstatement to Christopher H. Mulhern (3779).

(2) RECIPROCAL REGISTRATION REQUESTS FROM INDIVIDUALS

REGISTERED IN OTHER STATES SEEKING REGISTRATION IN RHODE ISLAND FOR BOARD ACTION

No applications were reviewed by the Board at this time.

(3) REGISTRATION REINSTATEMENT REQUESTS FROM INDIVIDUALS REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF HIS/HER RHODE ISLAND REGISTRATION FOR BOARD ACTION

Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to send a letter to Richard Hrycaj, (3793) indicating that it has come to the Board's attention that he was registered in the State of Rhode Island and ask for an explanation as to why he answered no to on the applicaton. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(4) 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 FOR BOARD ACTION.

No applications were reviewed by the Board at this time.

G. APPLICATIONS

(1) CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION (COA) APPLICATIONS (See

Attached List)

(A) Member DeQuattro moved to approve the applications for the Certificates of Authorization for the Sole Proprietorships for Erskine E. Chaffin Jr.; James E. Geddis, Architect; and Randall L. Herko. Member Feibelman seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(B) Member DeQuattro moved to approve the application for the Certificate of Authorization for the Limited Liability Company for Joel Sanders Architect, PLLC subject to receipt of a Certificate of Good Standing from the Rhode Island Secretary of State's office. Vice-Chair Grosvenor seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(C) Member DeQuattro moved to approve the application for the

Certificate of Authorization for the Limited Liability Partnership for Behnisch ARchitekten LLP subject to receipt of a Certificate of Legal Existence from the Rhode Island Secretary of State's office. Vice-Chair Grosvenor seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(D) Member DeQuattro moved to conditionally approve the applications for the Certificates of Authorization for the Corporations for As Built Inc. DBA Harrison Mulhern Architects and Haskel Architects & Engineers, P.A. subject to receipt of the Certificate of Good Standing from the Rhode Island Secretary of State's office and to approve HNTB Rhode Island, Inc., (A-14179) for a change in responsible control removing Bane Gaiser (3952); SMRT Inc (A-14058) for a change business structure removing Michael A. Cunningham, VP-Engineer; Stantec Architecture Inc (A-14432) for a change in business structure, removing Roger A. Swanson, VP-Architect; and Stantec Architecture and Engineering, LLC (ALLC94) for a change in business structure removing Roger A. Swanson (VP-Architect). Vice-Chair Grosvenor seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(E) Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to conditionally approve the applications for the Certificate of Authorization for the Corporation for MPM Studio LLC pending satisfaction by Mrs. Broadfield that it meets the Rhode Island Law and subject to receipt of the Certificate of Good Standing from the Rhode Island Secretary of State's office. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(F) Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to continue the renewal and amended application for the Certificate of Authorization for the Corporation for AECOM Technical Services Architects & Engineers Inc., #A-14324, waiting for a response and the amended application for the Certificate of Authorization for the Corporation for SMRT, Inc., waiting for renewal of a person in responsible control. Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

(3) Staff Review of COAs

Vice-Chair Grosvenor moved to continue this item until the processing guidelines are outlined in writing in a memo form.

Member DeQuattro seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ladds thanked Member Feibelman for her outstanding service and mentorship over her nine (9) years of service.

Chair Ladds announced that the next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 21, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at the DBR, John O. Pastore Center, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Conference Room 68-1, Cranston, RI 02920. Member Feibelman moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:57 p.m. Vice-Chair Grosvenor seconded. Motion passed, 4-0, four (4) in favor, one (1) absent. Voting in favor were Chair Christian J. Ladds, Vice-Chair John K. Grosvenor, Members David L. DeQuattro and Barbara Feibelman. Secretary Prengaman was absent from this vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Christian J. Ladds, AIA

Chair

CJL/dmb

- **Posted on July 22, 2014 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

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SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS

ERSKINE E. CHAFFIN JR. - 0 - MA APPROVED – 06/16/14

JAMES A. GEDDIS, ARCHITECT - 0 - NY APPROVED – 06/16/14

RANDALL L. HERKO - 0 - NY APPROVED – 06/16/14

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

JOEL SANDERS ARCHITECT, PLLC - 0 - NY APPROVED – 06/16/14

LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP

BEHNISCH ARCHITEKTEN LLP - 0 - MA APPROVED – 06/16/14

CORPORATIONS

**AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES ARCHITECTS CONTINUE FOR ONE
(1) MONTH – 03/17/14**

**& ENGINEERS INC. - 0 - CA CONTINUE – 04/21/14, CONTINUE –
05/19/14,**

#A14324 – Change in Responsible Control CONTINUE – 06/16/14

Removed: Lawrence M. Rosenbloom (2133)

AS BUILT INC. DBA HARRISON MULHERN

ARCHITECTS - 0 - MA APPROVED – 06/16/14

**HASKEL ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS, P.A. - 0 - FL APPROVED –
06/16/14**

HNTB Rhode Island, Inc. - 0 - MO APPROVED – 06/16/14

#A14179 – Change in Responsible Control

Removed: Bane Gaiser (3952)

MPM STUDIO LLC - 0 - NJ APPROVED – 06/16/14

SMRT INC. - 0 - ME CONTINUE – 04/21/14, CONTINUE – 05/19/14,

#A14058 – Change in Business Structure APPROVED – 06/16/14

Removed: Michael A. Cunningham (VP-Engineer)

STANTEC ARCHITECTURE INC. - 0 - CO APPROVED – 06/16/14

#A14432 – Change in Business Structure

Removed: Roger A. Swanson (VP-Architect)

STANTEC ARCHITECTURE INC. - 0 - CO APPROVED – 06/16/14

#ALLC94 – Change in Business Structure

Removed: Roger A. Swanson (VP-Architect)

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APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION PROCESSED IN THE LAST MONTH IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

RECIPROCITY APPLICATIONS

ALL RECIPROCITY APPLICATIONS BELOW WERE ISSUED REGISTRATIONS BY THE BOARD EXECUTIVE. THE BOARD REVIEWED AND SO NOTED BY THE BOARD.

DONALD BUSH GA SO NOTED

TIMOTHY JOHNSTON C. L. HELT, ARCHITECT, INC. NC SO NOTED

ERSKINE E. CHAFFIN, JR. SELF MA SO NOTED

JAMES GADDIS SELF NY SO NOTED

RICHARD BORRELLI WBRC ARCHS & ENGRS ME SO NOTED

JOSEPH J. MATIS MPM STUDIO LLC NJ SO NOTED

THOMPSON, HANCOCK,

ERIC LEE KRULL WITTE & ASSOCIATES, INC. GA SO NOTED

JOEL SANDERS JOEL SANDERS ARCH, LLC NY SO NOTED

DANIEL BOYNE GREENBERGFARROW OH SO NOTED

ROBERT NOBLETT BEHNISCH ARCHITEKTEN MA SO NOTED

RECIPROCITY (REINSTATEMENT) APPLICATIONS

**CHRISTOPHER H. MULHERN (3779) HARRISON MULHERN
ARCHS MA SO NOTED**

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