

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD**

DATE:20 October 2004

**PLACE:1 Capitol Hill, 3rd Floor
Providence, RI 02908**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Messrs.: Carter, Pagliarini and Pilz Ms. Beck
and Ms. Bradford**

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Dupree

**OTHERS PRESENT: Attorney Thomas Palombo
Irene Mowry, Administrative Assistant
Mr. Edward Williams**

**CALLED TO ORDER: Chair Beck called the meeting to order at 5:45
p.m.**

PREPARED BY: Irene Mowry

**1. Board members reviewed minutes of the 15 September 2004
meeting. Motion to approve the minutes with corrections was made**

by Vice-Chair Carter and seconded by Ms. Bradford. Motion carried.

2. Old Business – Williams Design Associates - Mr. Edward Williams appeared before the Board to discuss the matter of the advertisement on his website. Board members advised Mr. Williams that pursuant to Chapter 51 of Title 5 of the Rhode Island General Laws, they have the duty to protect the health, safety and welfare of the general public. According to this statute, an individual or firm cannot practice or offer to practice landscape architecture in R.I. without a current license and Certificate of Authorization (COA). It is their opinion that the wording at the website implies to the general public that they are offering landscape architectural services in the State, and they do not have a current Certificate of Authorization to offer these services.

Mr. Williams stated that he has been in business for over ten (10) years in Newport, R.I. His business consists of mainly single-family residential energy efficient design work. He does not do any commercial projects. When more specific design needs arise, Mr. Williams puts together a team of Rhode Island licensed individuals to address the specific needs.

Vice-Chair Carter suggested that amending the wording in the advertisement would eliminate the impression that they are offering landscape architectural services, and referenced areas of concern to be addressed. Board members agreed with Vice-Chair Carter. Mr.

Williams was asked to mail the changes to the office and in an effort to save time, Ms. Mowry would fax them to Board members to accept or reject by phone/fax vote.

Design One Consortium - A response was received from Ms. Lynne Bryan Phipps of Design One Consortium regarding the landscape architectural advertisement on their website. After Board review, it was the decision of the Board that they must change their website immediately. Vice-chair Carter motioned to send a second letter notifying them of the requirements of Section 5-51-13(c) and the need to remove landscape architecture wording from their website. Motion was seconded by Mr. Pagliarini and approved by all members present.

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2. Old Business (continued.) - Clarification of "at the discretion of the Board" for reinstatement of a license in the Rules and Regulations of the Board. Board members discussed the reinstatement policy and agreed that reinstatement of a license within the first year may be accomplished with payment of the renewal fee and late fee. Reinstatement of a license for an individual who has been lapsed for more than one (1) year but less than five (5) years, may be accomplished by submitting a request to reinstate in writing. The applicant shall also provide satisfactory evidence of continued competence in the practice of landscape architecture. An individual

who has been lapsed over five (5) years cannot reinstate his/her license. He/she must reapply for licensure in one of two ways, either by examination or by reciprocity.

3. New Business - In a letter to the Board, Design One Consortium indicated that they might be considering Mr. William Anderson as a landscape architect in direct control for a residential project. Mr. Anderson does not have a Certificate of Authorization. The Board will send a letter to Mr. Anderson notifying him of the requirements of Rhode Island General Laws Â§5-51-1 et seq.

Chair Beck also reported to the Board on various issues that were addressed at CLARBâ€™s Annual Meeting for Public Protection, held September 25th in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She also reported on voting results for resolutions and officers.

4. Applications - Board members reviewed the reciprocity application for Peter F. Jackson. Ms. Bradford motioned to approve the application. Vice-chair Carter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Other Issues - Board members reviewed and approved corrections to the instruction sheets by examination and reciprocity. Corrected forms will be updated in application packages at the Boardsâ€™ website.

6. At 8:15 p.m., motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Pilz and seconded

by Vice-chair Carter. Motion was approved by all members present. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled Wednesday, November 17, 2004 at 5:30 p.m.