MINUTES MARYLAND BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

DATE:

August 24, 2016

PLACE:

500 N. Calvert Street

3rd Floor Conference Room

Baltimore, MD 21202

PRESENT:

Diane Cho, Chair

Gary Ey

Paul Edmeades Magda Westerhout Stephanie Hopkins Kevin Sneed

Cynthia Shonaiya

OTHERS PRESENT:

James Baseman, Assistant Executive Director

Iris Beasley, Board Administrator

Shontae Moore, Administrative Specialist

ABSENT:

Steve Long, Executive Director Milena Trust, Board Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

Diane Cho, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion (I) was made by Paul Edmeades, seconded by Gary Ey and unanimously carried to approve the June 22, 2016 meeting minutes with a minor correction. The Board then began Ethics Training.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

Gary Ey provided the status of the following complaints:

15-AR-01 offer consent order (CO)

16-AR-01 offer revised CO

16-AR-05 closed

16-AR-06 offer CO 16-AR-13 OAH hearing

16-AR-15 offer CO

16-AR-14 investigating

16-AR-18 investigating

17-AR-01 offer CO

17-AR-02 Notice of Intended Agency Action 17-AR-03 Notice of Intended Agency Action

17-AR-04 offer CO

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16-AR-16 investigating

Motion (II) was made by Paul Edmeades, seconded by Kevin Sneed and unanimously carried to accept the Complaint Committee report.

APPLICATIONS FOR ARCHITECT REGISTRATION EXAMINATION

The Board approved the following applications for the Architect Registration Examination:

Reanna Rogers

Rui Wu

Garett Rouzer
Daniel Douglas

Alisa Karpusyuk Tatyana Swift

Stephanie Goldsack

Farah Galil

Samuel Vana

Ryan McDermott

Ethan Stanley

Sean Cahalin

Hanifah Nakalembe

Ben Scarbro

Ameer McCall

A motion (III) was made by Diane Cho, seconded by Magda Westerhout and unanimously carried to approve 15 ARE candidates with 1 denial.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Beginning with the September Board meeting, Cynthia Shonaiya and Gary Ey will be on the Complaint Committee and Magda Westerhout and Stephanie Hopkins will be on the CPC Committee. Staff will provide the committee members with copies of the laws and regulations for their reference.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board addressed an email from Abraham Kalantary who asked if the Board would approve his license based on 30 years of experience in lieu of completing the ARE. The staff will draft a response to Mr. Kalantary stating that he must complete the ARE.

The Board addressed an email from John Brunnett who asked for an interpretation of the phrase "Practice of Architecture" relative to overlapping practice issues. The staff will draft a response referring Mr. Brunnett to the Licensed Design Professionals' Overlapping Practice Guide for Local Government Officials.

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The Board addressed an email from James Slack who requested that the Board consider his degree as equivalent to that of engineering, landscape architecture, or interior design for the purpose of qualifying to take the ARE exam. The staff will draft a response stating that the Board will accept his degree as a BS or BA in other discipline and refer him to the Education Equivalency Matrix..

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was no Executive Director's report.

BOARD COUNSEL'S REPORT

There was no Board Counsel's report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion (IV) was made by Diane Cho, seconded by Gary Ey and unanimously carried by the Board to go into Executive Session at 11:32 a.m., 3rd Floor Conference room, 500 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21220. This session is permitted to be closed pursuant to State Government Article, Title §10-508(a)(7). Upon completion of the session, the Board reconvened its public meeting at 12:03 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion (V) was made by Kevin Sneed, seconded by Paul Edmeades, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:06 p.m.