

BOARD OF CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGNERS MINUTES

DATE: July 20, 2021

PLACE: Virtual meeting information:
Video Conferencing – <https://meet.google.com/dfh-mfdy-bba>
Join by Phone – 1 617-675-4444 PIN: 383 397 670 2243#

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Robyn Dubick, Interior Designer, Chair
Carmen Parsons Sneed, Interior Designer
Michael Daly, Architect
Suzanne Frasier, Interior Designer
Cheryl Duvall, Interior Designer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jessica Praley, Board Counsel
Raquel Meyers, Assistant Executive Director
Noraida Lozano, Board Administrator
Noemi Gonzalez, Office Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Robyn Dubick, Chair, called the business meeting of the Board of Certified Interior Designers to order, virtually, at 1:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion (I) was made by Ms. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Daly, and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the April 20, 2021 minutes without corrections.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT – None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Meyers announced some personnel changes. The Executive Director recruitment closed on July 8th. The Design Boards Investigator Frazier West was reassigned to the Real Estate Commission. Noemi Gonzalez was hired as the Office Secretary effective July 1, 2021. In-office re-entry will be 4 days in office and 1 day

teleworking. Board members are allowed to attend in person provided they have notified the office in advance. The office is open to the public by appointment only starting July 6, 2021. Finally, she explained the Board made no FY 2022 Legislative requests.

BOARD COUNSEL'S REPORT - No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Dubick shared the recent information about the Joint Chairs meeting which requires a regular report and Sunset Review 2024. She mentioned that she will send an email to the Board and staff about the CIDQ Advisory Board regarding the state legislation.

Ms. Meyers informed that she received a report from Kimberly Woods, Director of Engagement from NCIDQ. The report stated that there were 531 new certificate holders as of June 9th. A total of 2,970 passing scores with IDFX 61%, IDPX 60% and PRAC 54%. Chair Dubick requested a copy of the report to be emailed to the Board.

OLD BUSINESS - None

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received correspondence regarding the use of the term “certified interior designer” versus “interior designer”. Ms. Praley referred the Board to the MD Code, specifically the Business and Occupations title at §8–301, which provides:

“Except as otherwise provided in this title, an individual shall be certified by the Board before the individual may use the title “certified interior designer” or the term “certified interior design services.”

The only restriction is the word “certified”. Ms. Praley will respond to the correspondence.

Ms. Lozano asked whether an individual can call themselves an interior designer without being certified by the Board. Chair Dubick explained that unless they market themselves as certified the Board does not have the authority to take any action.

Mr. Daly informed that the work group committee has been disbanded because the report was officially submitted. He mentioned that only CIDQ and NCARB have the report. They have the authority to disseminate it. He described it as a good report that will help him to take part in the practice act.

Ms. Frasier asked how to get a copy of the report and Mr. Daly suggested contacting Mr. Tom Banks of CIDQ.

Ms. Praley asked if Chair Dubick could get a copy of the report and she agreed.

Mr. Daly suggested reaching out to the Board Members of Nevada and Georgia since they are supportive of CID and Architecture. He also mentioned that they can be good allies moving forward to take part with the practice act.

Chair Dubick asked Ms. Praley for some advice about the practice act. She gave a brief overview of the whole process. She also suggested getting some surveys from other jurisdictions on switching to a practice act. Chair Dubick will send the CIDQ presentation to the Board.

Mr. Daly shared information about NCARB's Model Law. Ms. Frasier asked whether they are allowed to discuss outside the meeting. Ms. Praley explained there are restrictions on board discussions under the Open Public Meetings Act. She recommended creating a Committee.

Ms. Duvall asked whether the committee must be made up of only board members. Ms. Praley explained it should include board members but can also include interested parties from the profession, trade groups, etc.

Ms. Praley offered to research the feasibility of a practice act.

Ms. Frasier moved to create a Practice Act Committee. Chair Dubick agreed to appoint Ms. Frasier and Ms. Sneed as members of said committee.

Motion (II) was made by Ms. Duvall seconded by Ms. Sneed and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Frasier and Ms. Sneed as members of the Practice Act Committee.

Motion (III) was made by Ms. Duvall seconded by Ms. Sneed and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Frasier and Ms. Sneed to do research on the practice act.

Ms. Duvall also recommended Allan Shaivitz to be a part of the committee. Ms. Praley asked to be kept informed of committee meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2021 at 1:30 pm.

There being no further business, Motion (IV) was made by Ms. Duvall, seconded by Chair Dubick, and unanimously carried to approve by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Approved: _____ without corrections X with corrections

Signed: (Signature on File) Date: 10/21/2021
Robyn Dubick, Chair