**STATE OF MARYLAND**

**BOARD OF FORESTERS**

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**January 24, 2022**

**LOCATION:**  via Google Meets

**MEMBERS**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Michael Huneke-Chair

John Markovich-Vice Chair

Anthony DiPaolo

Jill Rhyne-Grey

Brian Knox

Daniel Rider

**DLLR OFFICIALS**

**/STAFF:** Greg Morgan, Commissioner, Occupational and Professional

Licensing

Christopher Dorsey, Executive Director

Sloane Fried Kinstler, Assistant Attorney General

Alicia Coar, Administrative Specialist

The January 24, 2022 meeting of the Maryland Board of Foresters was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

Upon a motion **(I)**, by Mr. Markovich and seconded by Ms. Rhyne-Grey, the minutes from the October 25, 2022 Business Meeting, with amendments to correct two (2) spelling errors and correctly identify members absent, were approved unanimously.

Commissioner Morgan addressed the Board advising them about the recent office relocation to 1100 North Eutaw Street.

**Chairman’s Report**

Mr. Huneke informed the Board members that the 2021 filing period for the Maryland State Ethics Commission is now open and members must complete and submit the electronic form by April 30, 2022.

Upon a motion **(II)**, by Ms. Rhyne-Grey and seconded by Mr. Rider, the Board unanimously approved the Chairman’s Report.

**Executive Director’s Report**

Executive Director, Christopher Dorsey, reported that the search for a consumer Board member is ongoing and that he will try to have an update at the next meeting. Mr. Dorsey also informed the Board that Administrative Specialist, Alicia Coar, is leaving to pursue another opportunity with the State of Maryland. Ms. Coar expressed her gratitude to the Board and staff.

Upon a motion **(III)**,by Mr. Markovich and seconded by Mr. DiPaolo, the Board unanimously approved the Executive Director’s Report.

**Old Business**

Mr. Dorsey confirmed to the Board that the requested changes to the application have been made.

**New Business**

None.

**Closed Session**

Upon a motion **(IV)**, by Mr. Rider and seconded by Ms. Rhyne-Grey, the Board voted unanimously to go into a closed session at 10:37 a.m. via a Google meeting teleconference, where log-in information was provided to Board members and staff exclusively. The purpose of this session was to consult with counsel. This session is permitted to be closed pursuant to Section 3-305(b) (7) of the General Provisions Article, Maryland Annotated Code.

**OR-01**

OR-01: Upon a motion **(V)**, by Mr. Markovich and seconded by Ms. Rhyne-Grey, the Board unanimously voted to deny the license application, as the applicant, who met the education and work experience required for licensure, submitted only three (3) of the required five (5) references. The application is pending and the applicant will be asked to provide at least two additional references.

**Return to Open Session**

Upon a motion **(VI)**, by Mr. Rider and seconded by Mr. DiPaolo, the Board voted unanimously to return to Business Meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Upon a motion **(VII)**, by Mr. Rider and seconded by Mr. DiPaolo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the findings made and actions taken in the closed session.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, upon a motion **(VIII)** by Mr. Markovich and seconded by Mr. Knox, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING**

April 25, 2022—Notification of the method of the meeting will be provided beforehand.

\_\_\_\_ With corrections \_\_\_x\_ Without corrections

**Signature appears on original document 4/25/2022**

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Chairman Date