

Nebraska Board of Geologists
Board Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2024, 1:00 p.m.
215 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln NE

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held at 215 Centennial Mall S, Lincoln, Nebraska. Chairperson Martin called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. and noted the location of the Open Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star and the Board’s website in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call:, Michael O’Hara, Jeffrey Seymour, Cara Burberry, Nancy Mann, Douglas Hallum

Absent: Charles Joyce, Ralph Martin

Staff Present: Diana Stahlnecker, Administrative Programs Officer (APO); Jean Lais, Administrative Programs Officer (APO).

Chair Mann appointed Vice Chair Seymour as Secretary for the day.

PUBLIC COMMENT/APPOINTMENTS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

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Motion by Hallum, second by Seymour, to approve the consent agenda. Voting Yes: Hallum, Seymour, O’Hara, Mann; Voting No: None; Abstain: Burberry; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

Action

B. MEETING REPORTS

[Nebraska Geological Society – There will be a 2 day field trip around Aug 8/9, starting in Franklin NE going to Superior, NE, and ending in Grand Island, NE. Some of the training will cover hydrogeology and geophysical watering . Each day is worth 6 CE’s for a total of 12 CE’s. Doug Hallum is one of the members leading the trip.](#)

[The Annual meeting will be an all-day event, set for Sept 15th at Schramm Park, and includes a cook-out.](#)

[Office/Staff – We received approval to add another Administrative Program Officer 1 position to our staff and are currently in the process of filling the position.](#)

[New Data base –Geologists should be online by Sept 1, 2024.](#)

C. OLD BUSINESS

Legislative

No action was taken on 81.3528 of the Geologist Regulation Act.

The board recommended replacing “direct supervision” with “responsible charge” in the Geologist Regulation Act 81.3529 (3d),

Motion by Hallum, second by Seymour, to approve Revised Statue Revisions to the Geologist Regulation Act.

Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, Hallum, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: None; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

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The board recommended changes to the Geologist Regulation Act 81.3529 (3d), 81.3531 (2), 81.3539 (8),

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Motion by Hallum, second by Seymour, to approve Revised Statute Revisions to the Geologist Regulation Act. Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, Hallum, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: None; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

Action

The board recommended changes to the Geologist Regulation Act 8135.41 (1a)

Motion by Hallum, second by Seymour, to approve Revised Statute Revisions to the Geologist Regulation Act. Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: Hallum; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

Action

The board recommended changes to the Geologist Regulation Act 81.3518

Motion by O’Hara, second by Seymour, to approve Revised Statute Revisions to the Geologist Regulation Act. Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, Hallum, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: None; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

Action

The board recommended changes to the Geologist Regulation Act 81.3521 (a)

Motion by Seymour, second by O’Hara, to approve Revised Statute Revisions to the Geologist Regulation Act. Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: Hallum; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

Action

[Statute Revisions – Staff Recommendations](#)

Other Old Business – None

D. NEW BUSINESS

ASBOG

The October Conference in Colorado will be attended by Nancy Mann as delegate, Charles Joyce as back-up, and Staff member Diana Stahlnecker.

Motion by Hallum, second by Seymour, to approve Nancy Mann, Delegate and Charles Joyce, backup delegate, and Diana Stahlnecker, administrative staff, to attend the October Conference. Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, Hallum, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: None; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

Action

Other New Business

Harmon Maher’s Service Award Plaque was received and mailed to him.

[Strategic Plan Review](#)

E. COMPLIANCE – None

F. APPLICATIONS

[Core Course Equivalency Chart and Rationale](#)

The Core Course Equivalence Chart and Rationale were provided.

Administratively Approved

[Certificates of Authorization](#)

[Temporary Permits: None](#)

Licensure/Examinations

Licensure from Other Jurisdictions: *None*

Licensure by Initial: *Christopher M Elofson*

Approved:

Licensure by Experience:

Licensure by Reinstatement:

FG Exam: *Jeremy J Caird, Thomas H Jacobi II*

Approved:

PG Exam *Travis Herman, Taylor Young*

Approved:

FG/PG Exam Approvals:

Motion by Seymour, second by Hallum, to approve the applications. Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, hallum, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: None; Absent: Joyce, Martin.

Action

G. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Financial Reports – April, May, June

Budget Status Report

MTD General Ledger Detail Reports

Fund Summary Reports

FY23-24 Financial Profile

Motion by Seymour, second by Hallum, to approve the financial reports as presented. Voting Yes: Seymour, O’Hara, Hallum, Burberry, Mann; Voting No: None; Absent: Joyce, Martin

Action

Other Financial Matters

Administrative Service Contract

Additional Tasks: *Additional meeting to be held Aug 28th at 1 pm for budget and strategic planning.*

H. GENERAL INFORMATION

Board Meeting Schedule

Board Member Roster

Trends in Licensure

Numbers as of June 31, 2024

Professional Geologists.....	296
Certificates of Authorization.....	01
Temporary Permits	0

Fiscal Activity Report

Other Information

Website Dashboard Report

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April Total Visits.....	262
May Total Visits	428
June Total Visits.....	312

The approved Board policies as of January 20, 2021, were provided.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mann to adjourn the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

Board Member

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