NEW JERSEY SITE REMEDIATION PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD

FINAL

August 3, 2015 Meeting Minutes

4:00 p.m., Public Hearing Room, DEP, Trenton

Board Members:

Present

Jorge Berkowitz
Philip Brilliant
Lawra Dodge
Joseph Fallon
Joann Held
Jeffrey Hoffman
Christopher Motta (via teleconference)
Mark Pedersen (absent)
Michael Pisauro
Kathi Stetser
Peter Strom
Constantine Tsentas
Ira Whitman

Others Present:

Board Staff Dana Haymes

Proceedings:

• Meeting called to Order at 4:03 by Vice-Chairman Held

• Statement by Vice-Chairman Held that adequate notice of the meeting was provided pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act

• Roll Call

• Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of July 13, 2015

Motion to approve the minutes by Connie Tsentas. Motion seconded by Philip Brilliant.
Roll Call Vote:

Jorge Berkowitz - Yes
Philip Brilliant - Yes
Lawra Dodge - Yes
Joseph Fallon - Abstain
Joann Held - Yes
Jeffrey Hoffman - Yes
Christopher Motta - Yes
Mark Pedersen - Absent
Michael Pisauro - Yes
Kathi Stetser - Yes
Peter Strom - Yes
Constantine Tsentas - Yes
Ira Whitman - Yes

The motion was carried.

- **Chairman’s Report:**

  Training was held for new Board Members. New Board Members were asked to express preference for Committee assignments. All Board Members will be required to take, or re-take, ethics training, which will be scheduled in the near future.

- **Report of the Secretary:**

  No Report.

- **Report of the Audit Committee: Philip Brilliant**

  The names of 5 additional LSRPs have been selected for audit in August 2015. New Board Members will participate on the Audit Review Team.
Audits deemed complete:

John Bolakas 594911 – November 2014
David Whelihan 627902 – February 2015
Peter Spinney 583911 – February 2015
Jennifer O’Keefe 577014 – February 2015
Alan Arico 629033 – February 2015

• Report of the Continuing Education Committee: Lawra Dodge

Motion by Lawra Dodge to approve 7 applications for approval of Continuing Education Credit, as follows:

Remediating Sites in New Jersey Under the SRRA Law for 2.5 Regulatory CECs
Groundwater Modeling with AnAqSim for 14 Technical CECs
1,4-Dioxane Assessment and Remediation Workshop for 4.5 Technical CECs
Ecological Evaluation for 6 Technical and 1 Regulatory CECs
Contaminated Urban Sediment Management for the 21st Century for 3.5 Technical CECs
RCRA 2020 – Will You Be Ready? For 1 Regulatory CEC
Health Impact Assessment for 4.5 Regulatory CECs

Motion seconded by Ira Whitman.

Roll Call Vote:

Jorge Berkowitz – Abstain from “Remediating Sites in New Jersey Under the SRRA Law” and “Contaminated Urban Sediment Management for the 21st Century”, Yes for remainder

Philip Brilliant – Abstain from “Remediating Sites in New Jersey Under the SRRA Law” and “Contaminated Urban Sediment Management for the 21st Century”, Yes for remainder

Lawra Dodge – Yes for all

Joseph Fallon - Yes for all

Joann Held – Yes for all
Jeffrey Hoffman – Yes for all
Christopher Motta – Yes for all
Mark Pedersen – Absent
Michael Pisauro – Yes for all
Kathi Stetser – Yes for all
Peter Strom – Abstain from “Ecological Evaluation” and “Health Impact Assessment”, Yes for remainder
Connie Tsentas – No for “Health Impact Assessment”, Yes for remainder
Ira Whitman – Yes for all

The motion was carried with respect to all applications.

Motion by Lawra Dodge to approve 1 application for approval of Continuing Education Credit, as follows:

31st Annual International Conference on Soils, Sediments, Water and Energy for 1 Technical CEC per 1 Hour Workshop and .5 Technical CEC per 1 Hour Platform Session

Motion seconded by Ira Whitman.

Roll Call Vote:

Jorge Berkowitz - Yes
Philip Brilliant - Yes
Lawra Dodge - Yes
Joseph Fallon - Yes
Joann Held - Yes
Jeffrey Hoffman - Yes
Christopher Motta - Yes
Mark Pedersen - Absent
Michael Pisauro - Yes
Kathi Stetser - Yes
Peter Strom - Yes
Constantine Tsentas - Yes
Ira Whitman - Yes

The motion was carried.

- **Report of the Finance Committee: Constantine Tsentas**
  No Report.

- **Report of the Licensure Committee: Ira Whitman**
  The period for accepting applications for licenses expiring on October 22, 2015 closed on July 24, 2015. A listserv will be sent to LSRPs with licenses expiring on December 20, 2015 to remind them of the renewal period.

  The next LSRP examination will be held in the third week of March 2015.

  The Board received an inquiry from an applicant that took the exam three times. He requested that his exams be hand-graded. That was done by the exam contractor. The results were found to be valid, and a letter regarding the findings was sent to the applicant.

  With regard to October 2015 license renewal applications, two applications have been found to not meet the continuing education requirements for renewal.

  The first deficient application involved an LSRP that failed to meet continuing education requirements for ethics continuing education credits, although the total number of credits exceeded the required number. Mr. Whitman would like to discuss this with Chairman Pedersen, and not make a motion at this time.

  The second deficient application involved an LSRP that failed to meet continuing education requirements for regulatory continuing education credits, although the total number of credits exceeded the required number. The individual has already registered for a course that will allow him to fulfill the continuing education requirement for regulatory credits prior to October 2015.

  Motion by Ira Whitman to allow the applicant who contacted the Board by letter on July 20, 2015 to supplement his application with information indicating the satisfaction of his
continuing education requirements prior to the expiration date of his license, and to require payment of processing fee of $150.

Motion seconded by Connie Tsentas.

Roll Call Vote:

Jorge Berkowitz - Yes
Philip Brilliant - Yes
Lawra Dodge - Yes
Joseph Fallon - Yes
Joann Held - Yes
Jeffrey Hoffman - Yes
Christopher Motta - Yes
Mark Pedersen - Absent
Michael Pisauro - Yes
Kathi Stetser - Yes
Peter Strom - Yes
Constantine Tsentas - Yes
Ira Whitman - Yes

The motion was carried.

• **Report of the Outreach Committee: Christopher Motta**

A table of continuing education courses with a filter function has been posted on the Board Website.

New Board Members have submitted their resumes, which will be posted on the Board Website.
The Outreach Committee would like to respond to Senator Smith’s concern that the LSRP program publicize its accomplishments. The Committee is reaching out to Senator Smith’s office to ascertain the information that he is interested in publishing.

Jorge Berkowitz suggested that the Board invite Senator Smith to address the Board at a meeting.

The Board is required to identify on the Board Website any contractor to whom the Board has made remuneration in an amount greater than $17,500. The Outreach Committee will coordinate with the Finance Committee to determine if there are any contractors that should be posted.

• **Report of the Professional Conduct Committee: Jorge Berkowitz**

  The Board has received 7 complaints so far this year. New Board Members will be appointed to complaint review teams.

• **Report of the Rules Committee: Joann Held**

  The Draft Adoption Package was sent to DAGs Kimberly Hahn and George Schlosser on July 24. Their response is expected by August 7, 2015. The Board is on schedule to adopt the proposed new rules by the end of this year.

• **Ongoing Business:**

  None.

• **New Business:**

  Connie Tsentas noted an issue with a DEP form. He requested that the term “approved” be changed to “deemed complete”. Kathi Stetser stated that she is on the Forms Committee and will call attention to that.

Next meeting of the Board will be September 21, 2015.

• **Public Comments:**

  David Hoffman, LSRP. Mr. Hoffman thanked the Board for approval of the LSRPA regulatory roundtable breakfast. The next one will be September 29, 2015 in Livingston, NJ. Mr. Hoffman invited Board Members to attend, and would like to request approval of all future events.

  Stephen Posten, LSRPA. Mr. Posten would like the LSRP program to publicize its accomplishments. He would like to collect positive stories that can be provided as press
releases, and would be willing to coordinate with Chris Motta to publicize the success of the program.

Elaine DeWan, NJDEP. The Board Contract on IT is complete and ready to be transmitted to the Department of Treasury.

Meeting adjourned at 5:39.