## NEW JERSEY SITE REMEDIATION PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD

## **FINAL**

# **FEBRUARY 5, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

4:00 PM

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## **Board Members:**

#### Present

Phil Brilliant
Michele Christina
Lawra Dodge
Steven Domber
Joann Held
Michael Renzulli
Charles Stebbins
Paul Stofa
Peter Strom
Ira Whitman

#### Absent

Kathi Stetser

## Others Present

Executive Director Dana Haymes Board Staff Victoria Glean DAG Buffy Wilson

## Members of the Public that were present:

Kathleen Whooley, Candace Baker, Janice Brogle, Caryn Barnes, Alex Saltzman, William Call, Rebecca Hollender, Sonya Ward, Richard Katz, Marlene Lindhardt, Chris Dailey, Jen Beers, Rose DeLorenzo

## **Proceedings**

- Meeting called to Order at 4:02 PM by Chairperson Paul Stofa
- Paul Stofa read the Statement of Adequate Public Notice of the meeting required by the Open Public Meetings Act.
- Roll Call:

Phil Brilliant - Present Michele Christina - Present Lawra Dodge - Present Steven Domber - Present Joann Held - Present Michael Renzulli - Present Charles Stebbins - Present - Absent Kathi Stetser - Present Paul Stofa Peter Strom - Present Ira Whitman - Present

A quorum of the Board was in attendance.

# • Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes

o Motion by Paul Stofa to approve the January 8, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion seconded by Joann Held.

## Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant - Yes Michele Christina - Yes Lawra Dodge - Yes Steven Domber - Yes - Yes Joann Held Michael Renzulli - Yes Charles Stebbins - Yes Kathi Stetser - Absent - Yes Peter Strom Ira Whitman - Yes Paul Stofa - Yes

The Motion to approve the minutes was carried.

# Chairperson's Report

Paul Stofa noted that on January 31, 2024, Contaminated Site Remediation and Redevelopment distributed a listserv that provided the new "LSRP Supplemental Certification for Initial Soil Remedial Action Permit Application" which was developed to reduce the permit application backlog and allow for the processing of applications more quickly.

# • Executive Director's Report

Dana Haymes noted that there are still 72 LSRPs that are delinquent in paying their 2024 annual license fees. Please pay the fees as soon as possible. If there are any issues, please contact the Board.

Victoria Glean added that if an LSRP believes the fee has been paid but hasn't been processed, please contact the Board to check on the status before paying it again. Victoria also reminded LSRPs that if the annual license fee is not paid, an invoice for a renewal fee will not be issued, which will prevent the LSRP from renewing his or her license. To avoid this, please be sure to pay the annual license fee.

## Committee Reports

## • Ad Hoc Committee on Board Membership – Michele Christina

Michele Cristina noted that application materials have been received, completed and returned to the Governor's Office by all three applicants.

# Ad Hoc Committee on Independent Professional Judgment and Remedial Process Improvement Initiative – Phil Brilliant

Phil Brilliant noted that the Committee will be convening a meeting soon.

# • Licensure Committee – Kathi Stetser

In the absence of Kathi Stetser, Dana Haymes noted that a licensure renewal matter will be discussed in closed session.

#### • Audit Committee – Ira Whitman

♦ Audits completed:

Jerold Blustein – 628093 – August

Joanne Derby – 746553 – October

Robert Dixon – 579332 - October

Kruti Oza – 668329 – December

David Backman – 573656 – December

Robert Fry – 781850 – December

Mittul Patel – 591566 – December

Brandi Gray – 591147 – February

# • Continuing Education – Lawra Dodge

Lawra Dodge reported that the committee approved the following continuing education programs:

TITLE	PROVIDER	DATE	CECs	PROPOSED COURSE NUMBER
Focused Remediation Seminars – Spring 2024	Focused Remediation Seminars	January 25, March 7, April 18, May 23, 2024	2.5 Technical	2024-009
2024 NJDEP CSRR Topical Presentations	LSRPA	April 3, 2024	1 Regulatory and 1 Technical	2024-010
Innovative Approaches to VI Using Horizontal Remediation Wells	LSRPA	May 2024	0.5 Regulatory and 1 Technical	2024-011

Lawra Dodge noted that LSRPs should be tracking their continuing education programs attended and be sure to earn the requisite number of CECs for license renewal by the application for license renewal due date, which is 90 days prior to the license expiration date.

## • Finance Committee – Michael Renzulli

No Report.

## • Outreach Committee – Charles Stebbins

Charles Stebbins reported that the First Quarterly Newsletter – January 2024 contained one incorrect statement. A corrected version of the newsletter was posted.

Charles also introduced the new Board logo, designed by Paul Bauer with the input of Victoria Glean, Dana Haymes and the Committee.

The Committee will meet in the upcoming weeks.

## • Professional Conduct Committee - Phil Brilliant

Motion by Phil Brilliant to enter closed session to discuss Complaint 008-2023.

Motion seconded by Paul Stofa.

All present voted yes.

The motion was carried.

Open session resumed at 4:46.

Motion by Phil Brilliant, in the matter of Complaint 008-2023, to find the subject in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:26I-6.8 (c) in three instances and to notify the subject through correspondence under signature of the Board chairperson of the Board's intent to assess a penalty of \$750.00 through formal disciplinary action unless settlement is reached, and to authorize the Professional Conduct Committee settlement review team to negotiate a settlement within the parameters discussed in closed session, and if no settlement is reached, to proceed with formal disciplinary action.

Motion seconded by Joann Held.

Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant - Yes - Yes Michele Christina - Yes Lawra Dodge Steven Domber - Yes Joann Held - Yes Michael Renzulli - Yes Charles Stebbins - Yes Kathi Stetser - Absent Peter Strom - Yes Ira Whitman - Yes Paul Stofa - Yes

The motion was carried.

The subject of the complaint is Vikas Sharma, 628095

# Ongoing Business

Paul Stofa noted that the Board discussed the possibility of holding the April 2024 meeting at the LSRPA conference. Joann Held noted that Dana Haymes polled the Board Members as to their availability, however, due to potential absences, there is a chance that there might not be a quorum if the Board were to meet at the LSRPA conference on April 3 or 4, 2024. The Board thanks the LSRPA for the invitation and hopes to accept it in a future year. The Board meeting will be held via Teams on April 1, 2024, as previously scheduled.

## New Business

None

# Next Board Meeting

• Motion by Paul Stofa to cancel the Board Meeting previously scheduled for February 20, 2024.

Motion seconded by Michele Christina.

All present voted yes.

The motion was carried.

The next Board Meeting will be March 4, 2024.

## • **Public Comments**

William Call noted that this will be his last meeting representing the LSRPA as president. He would like to discuss with Michele Christina the process for applying for Board Membership. Michele Christina agreed to discuss this with him.

Candace Baker asked if the Board received the application for approval of CECs for the Field Sampling course. Dana Haymes will check.

Kathleen Whooley asked for the names of the 8 auditees whose audits were completed. Ira Whitman repeated the names.

The Meeting adjourned at 4:59 PM.