

# Indiana Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists

## March 26, 2008

### Board Members Present

John Steinmetz, Chair  
Tom Bruns  
Mark Howell  
Tom Partin

### Others Present

Teresa Blevins,  
Licensing Coordinator  
Tim Grogg,  
Office of the Attorney General

### Visitors Present

Ann Garner  
Rob George  
Ron Hosek  
Kevin Strunk  
Larry Studebaker

John Steinmetz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present.

The minutes of the November 5, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Tom Bruns moved that the minutes be accepted. Tom Partin seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed, discussed, and voted on the following applications for licensure as a professional geologist in the state of Indiana:

- Miguel Arriaga:** Tom Partin moved for approval. Mark Howell seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Stephen Champa:** Mark Howell moved for approval. Tom Partin seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Paul Chasco:** Tom Bruns moved for approval. Mark Howell seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Joseph Crawford:** Tom Partin moved for approval pending receipt of passing the ASBOG examinations. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously approved pending receipt of passing the ASBOG examinations.
- Philip Doyle:** Tom Partin moved for approval. Tom Bruns seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Martin Fallon:** John Steinmetz moved for approval. Tom Bruns seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Tad Fox:** John Steinmetz moved for approval. Tom Partin seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Angela Kattmann:** John Steinmetz moved for approval pending receipt of passing the ASBOG examinations and receipt of an official transcript from Ball State University. Mark Howell seconded. Unanimously approved pending receipt of passing the ASBOG examinations and receipt of an official transcript from Ball State University.
- Andrew Limmer:** Tom Bruns moved for approval. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Michael Lutz:** Mark Howell moved that the application be reconsidered at the next meeting of the Board pending receipt of passing the ASBOG examinations and an explanation of professional geological work experience. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously accepted.
- James O'Quinn, III:** John Steinmetz moved for approval. Mark Howell seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Michael Potter:** Mark Howell moved for approval. Tom Partin seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Steven Preston:** Tom Partin moved for approval pending receipt of a third acceptable reference letter. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously approved pending receipt of a third acceptable reference letter.
- Jeremy Richardson:** Tom Bruns moved for approval pending receipt of passing the ASBOG examinations and receipt of an official transcript from Adrian College. Tom Partin seconded. Unanimously approved pending receipt of passing the ASBOG examinations and receipt of an official transcript from Adrian College.
- Andrew Smith:** Mark Howell moved for denial due to the lack of professional work experience. John Steinmetz seconded. Unanimously denied.
- Rebecca Travis:** Tom Bruns moved for approval. Mark Howell seconded. Unanimously approved.

A discussion was held regarding the nominations for the Lay Member of the Board. John Steinmetz received a nomination for Linda Vitone and Ryan McCormick. Tom Partin reported that he would like to nominate Michael Crouch. John Steinmetz will send letters to the nominees and request a copy of their vitae that will then be forwarded to Governor Mitch Daniels for his review and consideration.

John Steinmetz reported that he had received a Complaint from Larry Studebaker against Charles Zuppann (LPG #867). He reported that since he is Mr. Zuppann's supervisor that he has recused himself from the matter. John Steinmetz left the room at Tim Grogg's request. Mark Howell chaired the meeting in John Steinmetz' absence. Larry Studebaker reported that the PGI Board decided to proceed with the Complaint against Mr. Zuppann. Tim Grogg provided options to the Board members that they can hear the Complaint and make a decision or refer it to an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). After an extensive discussion regarding which Board members were PGI members and a possible conflict of interest, it was decided by the Board members to refer the matter to an ALJ. Tom Bruns moved that the matter be referred to an ALJ. Tom Partin seconded. Unanimously approved to refer the matter to an ALJ. Tim Grogg agreed to prepare the required legal document for the Board members' signatures and it will be forwarded to the assigned ALJ for their review and decision.

John Steinmetz returned to chair the balance of the meeting.

A discussion was held on possible dates for the next meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 14, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Bloomington in Room S-102.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:18 p.m.