

# West Virginia Board of Architects



**Location:** 405 Capitol Street  
Charleston, West Virginia 25301

**Date:** June 3, 2021

**Time:** 12:00 PM

**Attendees:** Todd Boggess, Member (TB) via phone  
Richard Forren, Member (RF)  
Adam Krason, Member and President (AK) via phone until arrival  
Emily Papadopoulos, Executive Director (EP)  
Wendy Scatterday, Member (WS)  
Edsel Smith, Public Member (ES)  
Edward W. Tucker, Member and Secretary (ET)  
Mark Weiler

**Absent:** Jan Fox, Public Member (JF)

## Order of Business

1. ET called the meeting to order at 12:25pm.
2. Approval of Minutes – March 18, 2021 and May 11, 2021  
On a motion by ES/WS the Board approved the minutes of both meetings.
3. Disciplinary Matters
  - a) On a motion by RF/ES, the Board voted to close Complaint # 05-14-2019 by taking the architect off probation and sending a certified letter to him and his attorney communication the same.
  - b) The Board reviewed the renewal and reinstatement matrix regarding consequences of practice during a period of an expired registration to update it after the last rule changes. The Board accepted the proposed changes of dates. Assistant Attorney Mark Weiler will provide language for guidance related to the consequence for the Board's review. During this discussion, the Board voted on a motion by RF/WS to not process a pending consent order with an architect who had applied for reinstatement disclosing practice during an inactive period. The Board felt the penalty was unwarranted given

the unique circumstances of when the architect was registered and indicated that the Board would only require a renewal fee and late renewal fee for reinstatement.

- c) *Adam Krason exited the meeting.* EP provided the Board with an update on the complaint it filed against an engineer with the WV State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers. The Board of Architects received the respondent's response on April 28, 2021 and on May 11, 2021, the Board of Architects provided a three-page detailed response. The Board of Engineers provided an update on May 24, 2021 indicating that the complaint was still pending and under investigation and proposed a joint meeting of the Boards.

*Following this discussion, Adam Krason rejoined the meeting.*

4. Action Items Regarding Registration

- a) On a motion by AK/WS, the Board voted to reciprocally register Kenneth Weinstein, Thomas Chidlow, Paul Becker and Paul Elgin, pending the latter's documentation of his VA registration.
- b) EP reported that WV currently has 1,378 active architects. She has processed 215 renewals so far with approximately 250 architects having paid for renewal but not finalized their renewal by documenting their continuing education or completing their online questionnaires.
- c) ET signed certificates for architects registered recently.

5. Financial Report

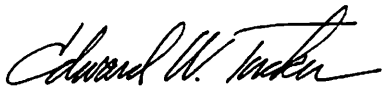
- a) EP reported that the Board has expenditures of \$130,624.45 to date (\$22,000 less than the same time last year) and revenue of \$77,625.50 from registrations and \$3,650.00 in other revenue at the time the reports ran and \$92,401 from registrations as of today, given that renewals are underway. The cash balance at the time of the report was roughly the same as last year \$218,233.90. As of today, the cash balance is \$229,276.65.

6. New Business

- a) EP reported that the ARPL group that met during the Legislative Session will meet as needed during the interims and noted that NCARB's government relations staff was particularly helpful. She also provided a summary of the legislation which passed during the session and thanked the Board members for all their assistance and involvement during the legislative session. EP announced the Legislature's upcoming interim dates, and AK requested that EP determine what states have passed legislation similar to proposed HB2007.
- b) EP reported that so far 80 people have registered for the upcoming NCARB Annual Business Meeting and that registration is still open for virtual participation. She also noted that Region 2 will be holding a meeting on June 26 on Zoom at 11:00 AM. She reported on a call on May 26, 2021 with other Region 2 states where she learned that PA was voting "no" on the NCARB resolution four to sunset a position on opposing the licensure of interior designer. She also reported that NY will be opposing resolutions two, three, and five. After discussion, the Board concluded that it would vote in opposition to the fourth resolution but affirm the others.

- c) On a motion by RF/ES, AK and ET were re-elected as president and secretary of the board by acclamation.
  - d) Meeting dates agreed to by the Board for upcoming quarterly meeting are February 17, 2022, May 19, 2022, August 25, 2022, and November 17, 2022.
6. Old Business / Planning
- a) EP reported that the Board had been recognized by the West Virginia Legislature through a Legislative Citation presented by House Minority Leader Doug Skaff and through a Senate Resolution sponsored by Senate Minority Leader Stephen Baldwin. The Board discussed the possibility of holding a reception at the Culture Center during Legislative Interims, and EP will check the availability on the dates. EP will also contact professionals about creating a 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorative poster or publication.
  - b) EP and TB reported that the small committee that met on May 11<sup>th</sup> has done an initial review of the Handbook for Code Officials and believe a revision and publication and online version would be very helpful. The goal is to issue the handbook before the end of the year so it can be part of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
  - c) The Board reviewed WVU's "interior architecture" major and a letter EP sent to the program coordinator alerting her of the issues this title raises in conflict with WV's rules and code.
7. Adjournment – On a motion by ES/ET, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM.

Respectively Submitted:



Edward W. Tucker FAIA, Secretary



Adam Krason, AIA, President



Emily Papadopoulos, Executive Director