

**MINUTES FOR BOARD MEETING OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE,
INTERIOR DESIGN AND RESIDENTIAL DESIGN (NSBAIDRD)**

March 21, 2023

Virtual Board Meeting – Video conference and audio offered via Zoom

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Chairman Greg Erny called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Board members present: Gregory Erny (Chairman), William Snyder (Secretary/Treasurer), Daniel Coletti, Ann Fleming, George Garlock, James Mickey, Nathaniel Waugh, Tina Wichmann and Marie Wikoff.

Also in attendance: Monica Harrison (Executive Director), Louis Ling (Legal Counsel), Laura Bach (Chief Investigator), Stacey Hatfield (Public Information Officer), and Leilani Quenga (Licensing Specialist / Bookkeeper).

NSBAIDRD Mission Statement:

“The mission of the NSBAIDRD is to promote, preserve, and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public by regulating architects, registered interior designers, and residential designers to provide competent professional services in the built environment.”

AGENDA ITEM 1 Public comment

There was no public comment.

AGENDA ITEM 2 Approval of consent agenda

Consent agenda included the following:

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes: January 24 and January 30, 2023
- C. Secretary/Treasurer Report (Reports and bank statements)
 - 1. Nevada Architect, Registered Interior Designer and Residential Designer Licensing Statistics
 - 2. Wells Fargo Bank Statements
 - 3. Bank of Nevada Statements
 - 4. First Independent Bank Statements
 - 5. Budget Report - December 2022
- D. Ratification of Reciprocal Licenses (see attached list)
- E. Firm Name Approval Requests
 - 1. Allan L. Renzi Architect, Inc.
 - 2. Camack Architecture & Planning, Inc.
 - 3. EDT-THA Architecture, LLC
 - 4. Meraki Modern
 - 5. Pomodoro Architect, PC

F. Firm Registration Approval Requests

1. 2WR of Mississippi, P.C.
2. Gray AE, PSC
3. Kinetic Design and Development, LLC
4. 5G Studio Altera, LLC
5. TWINSTEPS Nevada architecture

Architects: Registration by Reciprocity

9100	Carlos Alberto Amador	9116	Juan Camilo Archila	9131	Leo Cosgrove
9101	Riley James Snyder	9117	Dennis G Gaffney	9132	Ho Cheuk Choi
9102	Dillon Floyd Weitl	9118	Brett Lucas Camack	9133	Keir Dylan Vondruska
9103	Jason M. Rieke	9119	Cullen Scott Keen	9134	David M. Pugh
9104	Eric Edward Stanley	9120	Gayle M. Smith	9135	Kristopher Lee
9105	Kris Eugene Pasker	9121	Kevin G. Morley	9136	Eric J. Eshbach
9106	William Walter Wenchell	9122	Michael Callaway Lewallen	9137	Thomas Peter Theobald
9107	James Jude Carr	9123	Curt W. Hoffmann	9138	Corey James Ochsner
9108	Anuj Dua	9124	Larry R. Curtis	9139	Scott Anthony Buehler
9109	Rolando R. Otado Jr.	9125	Christopher Hamer	9140	Jennifer Leigh Thorington-Hines
9110	Whistler, Kenneth	9126	Gabriel Antenucci	9143	Edward S. Curley
9111	Agaze, Nelson	9127	Brandon L. Wetzel	9144	Kevin Randall Barnes
9112	Doan, Trung H.	9128	Travis Maughan	9145	Gregory Nollkamper
9113	Mark R. Walsh	9129	Cecilia Haydee Uriburu	9146	Kelly Brubaker
9114	Christian Ariel Pomodoro	9130	Jared Larson	9148	Ryan Guido Meeks
9115	Felipe Antonio Torres				

Residential Designers: Registration by Reciprocity

429-RD John M. King 431-RD Domenic A Narducci III

Motion: Snyder moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Fleming.

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 7A-1 Case No. 23-014R, 23-024R, 23-025R in the matter of Michael Peterson

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.270.1 (c) and (f) and Rule of Conduct 1.1 by being negligent and not acting with reasonable care and competence generally exercised by residential designers in good standing in the same community.

Staff received three complaints on the Respondent that he was not returning calls, texts or emails and had not completed plans for permit. Respondent had previous disciplinary action for the same issue and has been educated multiple times.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning this matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle this matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the Board. A

settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt Clause, three years probation, and an Administrative Penalty of \$10,000 with Investigative Costs in the amount of \$2,500.

Staff recommends approval of the settlement agreement.

Motion: Garlock moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Wikoff.

Vote: Erny recused himself. All others in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 7B Discussion and possible decision regarding closure of enforcement cases

Bach recommended the following cases for closure without disciplinary action:

22-050R 23-022N 23-023R 23-026N

Motion: Wichmann moved to approve the closure of the cases listed above without disciplinary action. Motion seconded by Fleming.

Vote: Erny recused himself. All others in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 7C Enforcement Report

Bach said she had nothing to report.

AGENDA ITEM 9A Residential Designer Report – Update of the Residential Designer Examination

Coletti reported that nine candidates took the graphic exam. Harrison reported that NCARB just released the cut scores for the written exam and will soon report which candidates passed the written sections. Six candidates took the written exams.

AGENDA ITEM 9B Residential Designer Report – Report of the NV Residential Design Exam Cut Score Development

Erny reported that in February the new exams were administered for the first time. As this was the first exam administration, cut scores need to be set to determine a passing score. The process and justification for the proposed cut score is in the board book. NCARB recommends the passing score be 74 percent for all three exams.

Motion: Garlock moved to ratify the proposed passing score of 74 percent for the Residential Design Exams. Motion seconded by Snyder.

Vote: Erny recused himself. All others in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 10A Registered Interior Designer Report – Nominations for the 2024 CIDQ Board of Directors

Fleming reported UNLV’s accreditation report will be submitted to CIDA on July 1, with a scheduled site visit September 8-19. If the review is successful, the program will be taken off probation.

There is a Student Career Day on March 30. Hatfield will speak to the students about licensing and Fleming will be assisting in portfolio review.

AGENDA ITEM 10B Registered Interior Designer Report – FYI: Changes in Work Experience Requirements

This information was presented to the board in the board meeting e-book.

AGENDA ITEM 8A Architect Report – Review, discussion and potential action related to the NCARB Draft Resolutions 2023 that will be discussed at the Annual Business Meeting in Tampa, Florida

Erny said the draft resolutions have been submitted and are in the board books. Resolution 2022-E has generated the most discussion and is subject of the survey sent to all board members. It is likely the proposed resolution will be amended before it is presented at the ABM. Erny went through the survey and answered questions from board members. Harrison said each board member should respond to the survey by March 24. Board members said they did not receive the survey from NCARB but did receive a forwarded copy from Harrison. Harrison said she would contact NCARB.

Harrison said that Region 6 is holding Zoom meeting on this topic on April 17. Board members can contact her if they want the meeting details.

AGENDA ITEM 3A Deliberations/Action on Applications for Registration: Architects

Erny greeted the attendees and explained the swearing-in process and ceremony.

Snyder swore-in the following individuals as architects:

1. Maelle Etienne Egea 9141
2. Victoria Lynne Fong 9142
3. Christina L. Giafaglione..... 9147

Motion: Mickey moved to approve the registration of the above referenced individual as architects. Motion seconded by Coletti.

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 3B Deliberations/Action on Applications for Registration: Residential Designer

Snyder swore-in the following individual as a residential designer:

1. Sean Roy McMicken..... 430-RD

Motion: Mickey moved to approve the registration of the above referenced individual a residential designer. Motion seconded by Coletti.

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 3C Deliberations/Action on Applications for Registration: Registered Interior Designers

Fleming swore-in the following individuals as registered interior designers:

1. Leora Oh-Mendoza 298-ID
2. James Jonathan Gundy..... 299-ID
3. Erica Lynn Irvin 300-ID

Motion: Snyder moved to approve the registration of the above referenced individual as registered interior designers. Motion seconded by Wikoff.

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

Erny and other board members congratulated the new registrants. Erny encouraged the new registrants to share any comments or concerns on the licensure process.

Carlos Fernandez congratulated the new registrants for achieving licensure on behalf of AIANV. He said that the new registrants would be receiving a certificate of achievement in the mail and invited them to join AIA.

Harrison informed new registrants to reach out to board staff for guidance if they plan to register a firm. She also said that they are exempt from earning continuing education units for the first two years of licensure.

New registrants shared comments on the licensure process.

AGENDA ITEM 4 Public Hearing under Executive Order 2023-003 to receive comments and input regarding the Board’s regulations and regulations identified for potential removal or amendment, including discussion, deliberation, and potential action related the public comments and the Board’s regulations and regulations identified for potential removal or amendment

Erny opened the hearing regarding Executive Order 2023-003. He said a document with the board’s recommendations can be found on the board website. A link to the site was shared in the chat. Written comments received from the public were provided to all board members prior to the meeting and will be included in any final reports. Written comments can be submitted until March 27, 2023.

David Blay, residential designer, said residential designers can be registered through reciprocity if they are architects in other states but do not have an NCARB certificate.

Ling said discussion should be limited to the regulations subject to the public hearing. Comments related to the reports will be covered under a different agenda item. Ling added that all written comments submitted to date were in regard to the reports.

There were no comments from the public.

AGENDA ITEM 5 **Discussion, deliberation and potential action regarding draft response pursuant to Executive Order 2023-003**

Erny opened the agenda item for comment. There were no comments from the public.

Erny said there may be changes before the report is finalized for ease of reading and to correct errors.

Motion: Snyder moved to approve the content in the draft report pursuant to Executive Order 2023-003. Motion seconded by Garlock.

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 6 **Discussion, deliberation, and potential action regarding draft response pursuant to Executive Order 2023-04**

Chairman Erny invited the public and board members to offer comments on the draft report. Ling said that all written comments submitted to the board will be included in the report sent to the governor. Comments made in the chat feature will also be included in the final report.

David Blay, a residential designer, asked what the timeline would be if the profession of residential design were eliminated. Ling said that although a July 1 date is stated in the governor's order, the profession cannot be sunset purely based on an action by the governor. To sunset the profession, a bill would have to be introduced in the legislature, pass both houses, and be signed by the governor. A bill is not likely to be introduced this legislative session because the deadline for introductions is this week. Ling added that as a bill goes through the legislature, the public, including the residential designer community, would be able to testify at committee hearings and lobby their legislators.

Blay asked if the governor could call a special session to eliminate the profession. Ling said that the governor has the power to call a special session. Ling does not think this issue would be a topic of a special session as special sessions are usually called for budget issues.

Wichmann suggested the report include a statement that if residential designers and/or registered interior designers were sunset, the work would fall to architects, and architects would likely be spread thin to cover all the work. She said that Nevada is a leader and other states should emulate how Nevada regulates the design professions.

Erny said that other state boards have approached him to learn about how Nevada regulates residential design. He said that once the test rewrite is complete he would like to make a presentation at an NCARB annual meeting. He added that 40 percent of construction dollars are spend on residential construction.

Mickey suggested Nevada’s continuing education requirements should be added to the report.

Motion: Snyder moved to approve the draft report, subject to amendments to accommodate comments presented by board members and the public. Snyder and Erny will review the amended report before it is finalized and submitted to the governor. Motion seconded by Wichmann.

Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

AGENDA ITEM 8B Architect Report - FYI: NCARB BOD Brief – January 2023

This information was presented to the board in the board meeting e-book.

AGENDA ITEM 8C Architect Report - FYI: NCARB Special Edition Fast Facts – February 2023

This information was presented to the board in the board meeting e-book.

AGENDA ITEM 8D Architect Report - FYI: NCARB Update – January and February 2023

This information was presented to the board in the board meeting e-book.

AGENDA ITEM 11 Public Member Report

Waugh had nothing to report.

AGENDA ITEM 12 Executive Director Report

Harrison reported future meetings will be May 31, on Zoom, and August 16 in Reno. She is working with TMCC to host a meet and greet with students in conjunction with meeting. Harrison reported she started the CEU audit and will have more information at the May meeting. She said the database update is in Phase Two. Harrison said three board members are up for reappointment this year. She will reach out to those members to find out if they intend to seek reappointment.

Erny said he has conflict with the May 31 meeting and suggested it be rescheduled for May 23. Wikoff has a conflict that week, all other board members can attend. The May 31 board meeting will be rescheduled for May 23.

AGENDA ITEM 13 **Board Counsel Report**

Ling had nothing to report.

AGENDA ITEM 14 **Public Information Report – Continuing Education Report of the NSBAIDRD/AIA continuing education in November**

Hatfield reported she and Bach spoke to the UNLV Interiors Professional Practice class in January, she and Heather Holstrom spoke to high school juniors in the engineering program at West CTA in February, and she attended high school career fairs at Canyon Springs HS and Coronado HS in March. Upcoming outreach events include Las Vegas HS career fair, ASID Student Career Day and Somerset Academy Career Day. She will be contacting the CEU Seminar committee next month to begin working on the seminar program for November. Additional information is included in the board e-books, FYI.

AGENDA ITEM 15 **Items for Future Agenda**

There were no items for future agendas.

AGENDA ITEM 16 **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

Chairman Erny adjourned the meeting.

Monica Harrison, Executive Director

William Snyder, Secretary/Treasurer