

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

**January 22, 2025**

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89965849524>

**Wednesday, January 22, 2025**

Chairman James Mickey called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Board members present: James Mickey (Chairman), Tina Wichmann (Secretary/Treasurer), Daniel Coletti, Gregory Erny, George Garlock, Chelsea Lavell, William Snyder, Nathaniel Waugh 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**

John Morelli requested to make public comment regarding Agenda Item 10A-2. Ling said that Morelli must wait until the board takes action on the matter.

**AGENDA ITEM 2      Approval of consent agenda**

Consent agenda included the following:

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes: October 23, 2024 & December 5, 2024.
- 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
- D. Ratification of Reciprocal Licenses (see attached list)
- E. Firm Name Approval Requests
  1. STUDIO 27
  2. EUA Design, S.C.
- F. Firm Registration Approval Requests
  1. NuTec Design Associates, Inc.
  2. Gray AES, PSC
  3. CED Architecture, Inc.
  4. FPBA

5. Treanor Inc.
6. SALASOBRIEN Architecture Professional Services
7. A P D Engineering and Architecture, PLLC

**Architects: Registration by Reciprocity**

9579	Joseph L. Furwa	9600	David A. Brewer	9620	Juliane D. Workley
9580	Amanda M. Schultz	9601	Steven Smutny	9621	John Andrew Thompson
9581	Michael T. Hudson	9602	Cory Maston Whalin	9622	Randel William Jacob
9582	Sheila M. Ruder	9603	Daryl L. LeBlanc	9623	Brent Amos
9583	Michael P. Rowe	9604	Daniel E. Rosenberg	9624	Katherine Lambert
9584	Brent Duane Zeigler	9605	Melissa A. Cobb	9625	Donald Wayne Alexander
9585	Ashley LeeAnn Dunn	9606	Nathan Watkins	9626	Brian Thomas Grinnell
9586	Roger E. Layman	9607	John S. Chapman	9627	Steven S. Cohen
9587	Matthew Alan Spangler	9608	Kristin Dufek	9628	Arindam (Ari) Bose
9588	Ruth L. Krieger	9609	Douglas Page	9629	Brandon M. Hoopingarner
9589	Emmanuel Kavrakis	9610	Michelle Amberson	9630	Christopher Alan Rutledge
9590	Joseph M. Raia	9611	Melanie R. Friedman	9631	John Max Price II
9591	Daniel J. Sekerak	9612	John Robert Burfening	9632	Luke Wayne Jumper
9592	Cade Hayes	9613	Ricardo Moura	9633	William E. Boone
9593	Joel Edward Baumgardner	9614	Todd VandenBurg	9614	Thomas A. Gentry
9594	Joseph Berardi	9615	Stacey Lynn Wellnitz	9635	Rebecca Kathleen Simkins
9595	Christine M. Lampert	9616	Timothy M. Lott	9639	Jonathan Leonardo Zane
9596	Braden P. Blake	9617	Sarah Jacobson	9640	Jay Michael Palu
9597	Charles A. Baros	9618	Paul Dhanens	9641	Russell Blount
9599	Christina Grimes	9619	Kari-elin Ingrid Mock	9644	Stephen C. Hundley

**Residential Designers: Registration by Reciprocity**

461-RD	David William Disman	462-RD	Arthur Song
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**Motion:** Snyder moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Waugh.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 5      Review and possible decision regarding restoration of registration of LuAnn Thoma Holec pursuant to NRS 623.260 and NAC 623.280**

Harrison presented the application for restoration. Board members had questions about the application.

**Motion:** Waugh moved to table the item until the March meeting. Motion seconded by Garlock.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 8**                    **Review and possible approval of the Master Calendar for FY2024-2025 and FY2025-2026**

Harrison presented the draft calendars.

**Motion:** Garlock moved to approve the Master Calendar for FY2024-2025 and FY2025-2026. Motion seconded by Wichmann.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 7**                    **Review, consideration and possible approval of proposed contract with Ling Ltd. to provide legal services to the NSBAIDRD**

Harrison presented Ling’s proposed contract.

**Motion:** Snyder moved to approve the proposed contract. Motion seconded by Waugh.

**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 12A**                **Residential Designer Report – Update of the Residential Design Examination**

Coletti updated the board on the residential design exam.

**AGENDA ITEM 14**                **Public Member Report**

Waugh said he hopes to reengage with NCARB and possibly CIDQ later this year.

**AGENDA ITEM 15**                **Board Counsel Report**

Ling updated the board on pending legal matters.

Waugh left the meeting.

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

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

The following individuals were sworn in as architects:

1. Emre Keskinetepe ..... 9636
2. Alysse Ogaard ..... 9637
3. Kit Yee Li..... 9638
4. Jose Pablo Ruiz ..... 9642
5. Naomi Elizabeth Roche..... 9643

**Motion:** Garlock moved to approve the registration of the above referenced individuals as architects.  
Motion seconded by Wichmann.  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

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

The following individuals were sworn in as registered interior designers:

1. Christian Schnyder ..... 320-ID
2. Christina Thiem..... 321-ID
3. Nima Mahmoudzadeh ..... 322-ID

**Motion:** Coletti moved to approve the registration of the above referenced individual as registered interior designers. Motion seconded by Snyder.  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

Carlos Fernandez, AIALV Executive Director, congratulated the new registrants on behalf of AIA.

Glenn Nowak, Associate Professor at UNLV School of Architecture, congratulated the new registrants on behalf of UNLV.

Board members and staff congratulated the new registrants.

**AGENDA ITEM 4      Review and possible approval of the firm name Beleco Design LLC**

**Motion:** Garlock moved to approve the firm name Beleco Design LLC. Motion seconded by Snyder.  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 9      Review and discussion about the IPAL initiative at UNLV by Glenn NP Nowak, Ph.D., AIA – Assoc. Prof. Architectural Licensing Advisor – UNLV and AIA Nevada**

Nowak provided an update on UNLV’s IPAL initiative. The board agreed to resubmit a letter of support.

**AGENDA ITEM 6A      Update on status and possible impacts of SB 78, which revises provisions relating to boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies**

Jim Wadhams provided an update on the 2025 Legislative Session and SB 78.

**AGENDA ITEM 10A-1 Case No. 25-027N in the matter of Nick Alexander and Studio M Architecture and Planning**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.360.1(a)(b)(c) when he held himself out as being able to provide regulated services and engaged in the practice of architecture without having a certificate of registration.

Staff received an anonymous complaint regarding the Respondent, stating he prepared schematic design drawings for a multi-family apartment complex project located in Reno, Nevada. A review of the NSBA database revealed that the Respondent was not registered in Nevada.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Guilt clause, a \$7,500 Administrative Penalty, and \$1,500 in investigative costs.

Staff recommended approval of the settlement agreement.

Mickey recused himself as he reviewed the case.

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

**Vote:** Mickey recused. All others in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 10A-2 Case No. 25-022R in the matter of John Morelli and Morelli Residential Design**

The Respondent is alleged to have violated NRS 623.270.1(f) and Rule of Conduct 1.1 when he failed to act with reasonable care and competence ordinarily applied by residential designers in good standing practicing in the same locality.

Staff received a complaint from Jeff Anderson regarding the Respondent stating he mistakenly specified the wrong dimension for a sliding glass door on the door schedule. The floor plan had the right dimension. Mr. Anderson ordered the door based on the door schedule and was unable to use the door as it was too big.

The Respondent was sent a Notice of Charges concerning the matter. The Respondent's case was discussed with Executive Director Harrison and the decision was made to offer the Respondent an opportunity to settle the matter informally rather than face a disciplinary hearing before the board. A settlement agreement was negotiated incorporating a Non-Admission of Guilt clause, \$2,500 in restitution, and \$1,800 in investigative costs.

Mickey recused himself as he reviewed the case.

Board members discussed the case. Some board members said they needed more information before they could approve the settlement agreement.

**Motion:** Erny moved to approve the settlement agreement. Motion seconded by Snyder.

**Vote:** Mickey recused. Erny, Garlock and Lavell in favor. Coletti, Snyder, Wichman and Wikoff against Motion fails.

The respondent and complainant were both in attendance. Ling cautioned both parties against making comments now because the matter is not settled and may proceed to a formal hearing.

**AGENDA ITEM 9B      Discussion and possible decision regarding closure of enforcement cases**

Bach recommended the following cases for closure without disciplinary action:

24-043N	25-012R	25-014N	25-015N	25-017R	25-018R
25-021N	25-023N	25-024N	25-026N	25-028N	

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

**Vote:** Mickey recused. All others in favor. Motion passes.

**AGENDA ITEM 9C      Enforcement report**

Bach had nothing to report.

**AGENDA ITEM 11A      Architect Report - FYI: NCARB Call for Candidates for Region 6**

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

**AGENDA ITEM 11B      Architect Report - FYI: Proposed WCARB Bylaws and Rules Amendments for 2025 Summit**

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

**AGENDA ITEM 11C      Architect Report - FYI: NCARB Fast Facts November & December 2024**

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

**AGENDA ITEM 13      Registered Interior Designer Report**

Wikoff updated the board on her task force activities.

**AGENDA ITEM 16      Public Information Report**

Hatfield said information is included in the board books.

**AGENDA ITEM 17      Items for future agenda**

- Legislative update
- Policies and procedures for board review of settlement agreements

**AGENDA ITEM 18      Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

Mickey adjourned the meeting.

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Monica Harrison, Executive Director

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Tina Wichmann, Secretary/Treasurer