

**State Board of Registration for Architects and Landscape Architects  
Indiana Government Center-South  
402 West Washington Street, Conference Center Room 1  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46201**

**Minutes of July 13, 2011**

Kato Smith, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-4.

**Members Present:**

Kato Smith, Chairperson  
Dan Weinheimer, Vice-Chairperson  
Jerome Eide  
Richard Fetz  
David Rausch

**Staff Present:**

Christina Wiseley, Board Director (PLA)  
Crystal Heard, Assistant Board Director (PLA)  
Donna Sembroski, Deputy Attorney General (OAG)

**Board Action:** The Board voted to adopt the agenda and the minutes of the May 4, 2011 meeting.

**Participating Board Members:** Eide, K. Smith, Rausch, Fetz, Weinheimer  
Eide/Weinheimer  
Motion Carried, 5-0-0

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

**William H. Tabberson (Expired beyond 3 years)**

Mr. Tabberson appeared in person without counsel and chose to proceed. Mr. Tabberson's license expired in December 2005. He indicated that he has been pursuing strictly residential architecture since 2005. He completed two plans in 2005 that weren't published until February 2006, but that he had not practiced in Indiana without a license. K. Smith indicated that Mr. Tabberson was putting himself out as an architect with an expired license. The board determined that they did not wish to use this as consideration in the reinstatement of Mr. Tabberson's license because he had an active architect license in the State of Kentucky. The board determined that Mr. Tabberson has completed the required continuing education and done nothing to merit probationary terms.

**Board Action:** The board moved to reinstate the architect license of Mr. Tabberson on active status.

Participating Board Members: Eide, K. Smith, Rausch, Fetz, Weinheimer  
Weinheimer/Rausch  
Motion Carried, 5-0-0

**Robert Zampolin (Expired beyond 3 years)**

Mr. Zampolin made a personal appearance by phone. He admitted that he worked in Indiana with an expired license.

**Board Action:** The board moved to require Mr. Zampolin to write a letter to the customer for which he worked on an expired license, have it approved by the board, and to reinstate his license on indefinite probation until he has met the terms and petitions the board for withdrawal of probationary status.

Participating Board Members: Eide, K. Smith, Rausch, Fetz, Weinheimer  
Rausch/Weinheimer  
Motion Carried, 5-0-0

**ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**In the Matter of the License of Dimitri Smirniotopoulos, Cause Number BRALA 11-03**

Mr. Smirniotopoulos appeared in person and made an opening statement asking for the board to withdraw the probationary terms of his license because he has met the requirements. He said that his license in Ohio is on hiatus until the Indiana board makes a decision regarding the withdrawal of probation. The board determined that Mr. Smirniotopoulos has met the requirements of his probation.

**Board Action:** The board moved to withdraw the probation from Mr. Smirniotopoulos' license.

Participating Board Members: Eide, K. Smith, Rausch, Fetz, Weinheimer  
Eide/Fetz  
Motion Carried, 5-0-0

**PERMIT/LICENSURE APPLICATIONS**

The Board approved the following architect applications (Fetz/Weinheimer 5-0-0):

1. Stephen Berry
2. Scott Hoeff
3. Carl Lingle
4. Daniel L. Pipgras
5. Tracy S. Salvia
6. Kari Thompson

The Board denied the following architect application:

1. John Kern – The board determined that the decision on the application must be made by considering his education combined with work experience. The board decided that Mr. Kern did not graduate with a bachelor's degree in a design discipline because his school is Charter Oak State College, which is an online program. Additionally, Mr. Kern does not have enough work experience.

**Board Action:** The board moved to deny Mr. Kern's application pursuant to IC 25-4-1-8.

Participating Board Members: Eide, K. Smith, Rausch, Fetz, Weinheimer  
Rausch/Weinheimer  
Motion Carried, 5-0-0

### **CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE ARE EXAMINATION**

1. Kari Thompson

**Board Action:** The board moved to approve special accommodations for the ARE examination of Kari Thompson; specifically to add fifty percent (50%) to the testing time for the graphics section of the examination.

Participating Board Members: Eide, K. Smith, Rausch, Fetz, Weinheimer

Weinheimer/Rausch  
Motion Carried, 5-0-0

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **Continuing Education:**

Mr. Rausch, who attended the NCARB meeting in Washington, DC on June 22-25, 2011, informed the board about the NCARB model law prescribing requirements for CE on a yearly basis. It was voted on and accepted by NCARB to require twelve hours of continuing education on a yearly basis. Indiana's requirement is to require twenty-four hours of continuing education in a two-year cycle, with no portion of it required in a one-year period. He indicated that it would not be advantageous for Indiana to adopt this as a rule due to the fact that the yearly requirement would conflict with the current biennial renewal cycle.

Donna Sembrowski added that promulgating rules with more stringent requirements, which is what the change would require, would not be feasible and would likely not be approved.

**Applications with Positive Responses:**

The board determined that Indiana Professional Licensing Agency staff's board director or assistant board director may approve applications with a positive response meeting the following conditions:

1. Applicant has not had multiple convictions
2. Applicant has not had felony convictions other than a DUI or related conviction
3. Applicant has not had any convictions in the past two years

The board still wishes to review applications from applicants who have had multiple convictions, convictions more recent than two years from the date of application, felony convictions for crimes other than DUI, and all applications from applicants that are currently on criminal probation.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



Dan Weinheimer,  
Acting Chairman

Date Sept. 14, 2011