

**Meeting Minutes**  
**SOUTH DAKOTA ABSTRACTERS BOARD OF EXAMINERS**

Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center  
Lake Francis Case Room  
920 W. Sioux Avenue, Pierre, SD  
February 11, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. CST

President Wick called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

**Members Present:** Yvon Burtz, Dan Roe, Greg Wick, Terra Fisher

**Members Absent:** Victoria Wilds

**Others Present:** Carol Tellinghuisen, Executive Secretary; Jill Lesselyoung, Executive Assistant

Lesselyoung conducted roll call; Wick, Burtz, Roe and Fisher in attendance. A quorum was present. The Board welcomed new lay member, Terra Fisher from Pierre.

Burtz made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Roe seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED.**

Wick asked for comments from the public. There were no comments offered.

Roe made a motion to approve the minutes from October 7, 2019. Burtz seconded the motion.

**MOTION PASSED.**

Lesselyoung reported fiscal year-end figures as of June 30, 2019: revenue of \$33,447.51, expenditures of \$52,386.43 and cash on hand of \$275,113.93 and year-to-date figures as of December 31, 2019: revenue of \$63,226.11, expenditures of \$28,876.35 and cash balance of \$314,415.92.

Wick advised he located the original contract and agreement for the copyright assignment of rights for the South Dakota Land Title Guide. All documentation has been forwarded to Oey for validation. The Board will print the addendum guide at a future date for distribution to all plants.

Burtz made a motion to enter executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2 at 4:18 p.m. Fisher seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.** President Wick declared executive session over at 4:26 p.m.

There are no pending complaints. Roe made a motion to approve the executive secretary contract with Professional Licensing with a State cost of living increase if granted by the State. Burtz seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

The Board discussed HB 1269, An Act to prohibit the internet publication of certain land records. The Board discussed concerns as to the effect of the bill should it pass on constructive notice, and potential problems in the transfer or encumbrance of real property for those counties in which the Register of Deeds posts real property records

on-line like Pennington. The ROD's additionally have computers for the public to use in the ROD's Office to view the records. The underlying concern is if these practices would be affected by this bill. The Board briefly discussed HB 1276, An Act to provide for a review of occupational regulation. There are concerns regarding limitations on felony convictions as the Board faces issues of fraud and forgery in the industry.

Wick will consider presenting a class on ethics and countersignature regulations at the next meeting.

The next meeting date is set in conjunction with the South Dakota Land Title Association in Spearfish on June 11th. Testing will be held on June 10th.

Roe made a motion to adjourn. Burtz seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.** The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carol Tellinghuisen  
Executive Secretary  
Abstracters Board of Examiners