

Meeting Minutes
SOUTH DAKOTA ABSTRACTERS BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Wilbert Square Events Center, The Gold Room

931 25th Avenue

Brookings, SD

June 11, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. CST

President Wick called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. CST

Members Present: Yvon Burtz, Dan Roe, Greg Wick, Terra Fisher (attended meeting via teleconference), Victoria Wilds

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Carol Tellinghuisen, Executive Secretary; Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Assistant, Abby Rehorst, Executive Assistant, Graham Oey, Senior Staff Attorney, Department of Labor, Josh Reisetter, Brookings County Title, Traci Renkly, SDLTA Past President, Ellen Margheim, SDLTA President, Eric Hansen, Dakota Homestead, Sandra Heaton, Haakon County Abstract.

Tellinghuisen Geddes conducted roll call; Wick, Burtz, Roe, Wilds and Fisher in attendance. A quorum was present.

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

MOTION PASSED by roll call vote; Wick, yes; Wilds, yes; Roe, yes; Burtz, yes; Fisher, yes.

Election of Officers was held. Roe made a motion to continue with the same slate of Officers.

Burtz seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by roll call vote; Wick, yes; Wilds, yes; Roe, yes; Burtz, yes; Fisher, yes.

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

Fisher made a motion to approve the minutes from February 3, 2021. Roe seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED by roll call vote; Wick, yes; Wilds, yes; Roe, yes; Burtz, yes; Fisher, yes.

Tellinghuisen-Geddes reported fiscal year-to-date figures as of April 30, 2021: revenue of \$17,632.55, expenditures of \$38,542.96 and cash on hand of \$312,067.32.

Oey advised he believes that there has been a misinterpretation of SDCL 36-13-1.2(2) regarding plant renewals. Oey stated that in interpreting the statute, it is the individual abstractor that is subject to the renewal and not the plant itself. New plants would still need to be inspected but may not need to be renewed. Oey asked that the board office distribute his e-mail correspondence, which details his reasoning, to the full board for their review prior to any further discussion at future meetings. The board may need to consider making changes to statute or administrative rules in the future in order clarify who is subject to the renewal.

Wick stated that now that COVID restrictions are being lifted, there are two plants that need to be examined. The board will work towards getting the examinations done.

Currently, the board office is working with Oey on the contract process for the new database management system with Albertson Consulting. Once the contract process is complete, the board office will work with Albertson Consulting to get the new system up and running.

The board did not move to executive session as there are no active or pending complaints.

Oey reported that the Governor does not intend to extend the executive order which temporarily suspended the provision for applicants to pass all sections of the exam within one year. The order is set to expire on June 30, 2021.

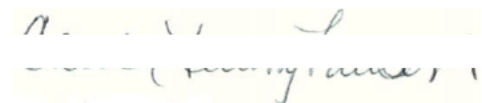
The Board discussed HB 1014 which will go into effect on July 1, 2021. Oey advised that HB 1014 will bring the complaint process into statute, contain more detailed definitions, and will further outline board authority. It will also set forth timelines for complaints and institute specific Executive Secretary authority related to investigations and jurisdictional matters.

Wilds and Burtz met with seven applicants on June 9, 2021 to administer abstracter licensing examinations.

The next meeting is set for October 18, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Testing will be held on October 18, 2021 starting at 8:30 a.m.

Burtz made a motion to adjourn. Roe seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by roll call vote; Wick, yes; Wilds, yes; Roe, yes; Burtz, yes; Fisher, yes. The meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Tellinghuisen
Executive Secretary
Abstracters Board of Examiners