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**MICHIGAN BOARD ARCHITECTS**  
**January 13, 2016 MEETING**

***APPROVED MINUTES***

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Board of Architects met on January 13, 2016, at the Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4, 611 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Kenneth Van Tine, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

***Members Present:*** Kenneth Van Tine, Chairperson, Architect  
Dennis King, Vice Chairperson, Architect  
Gilbert Barish, Professional Surveyor  
Patrick Barry, Architect  
Daniel Lamble, Architect  
Jay Larson, Public Member  
Randall Sherman, Architect  
Joseph Welmers, Public Member

***Members Absent:*** Troy Naperala, Professional Engineer

***Staff:*** Kim Gaedeke, Director, Bureau of Professional Licensing  
Andrew Brisbo, Director, Licensing Division  
Cheryl Wykoff Pezon, Manager, Boards and Committees Section  
Janielle Houston, Secretary, Boards and Committees Section  
Michael Siracuse, Analyst, Boards and Committees Section  
Kiran Parag, Analyst, Compliance Section  
Sarah Rock, Analyst, Licensing Section

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Lamble, seconded by Barry, to approve the agenda with the addition of Article 20 Discussion under New Business.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION by King, seconded by Lamble, to approve the minutes from September 9, 2015 as written.

MOTION PREVAILED

## **REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS**

### **Petitions**

#### **Mark Anthony Cerone**

MOTION by Barish, seconded by Barry that, after careful consideration of the written petition for review, and the oral presentation of Mr. Mark Anthony Cerone, the Board recommended to uphold the Department's denial of Mr. Cerone's Architects licensure application due to not fully satisfying the licensing requirements of this state.

Discussion was held.

MOTION PREVAILED

Kim Gaedeke, Director, Bureau of Professional Licensing, introduced herself. She discussed the changes that have taken place with the new bureau and about creating efficiencies with licensing procedures, along with replacing the current licensing database system and making all licensing programs available for online functioning.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Administrative Rules**

Siracuse indicated that the Administrative Rules (R 339.15201 and R 339.15202) have been opened to update the specific sections. The Rules Subcommittee have been in contact and Siracuse has received other suggestions for sections that need updating.

King stated that other rules also needed updating to reflect NCARB rules. He has confirmed support of the American Institute of Architects in updating the Administrative Rules to more accurately reflect NCARB rules.

Siracuse suggested that the subcommittee offer their suggestions for all rules that need updating so that the changes can be made all at once.

Pezon suggested that contacting the state agency for Architects can be of assistance when trying to get legislation introduced in the Legislature.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**NCARB Integrated Path to Licensure Initiative Discussion – American Institute of Architects – Will Wittig, AIA, AIA Michigan, Dean, University of Detroit Mercy; Jeffrey Ferweda, AIA, Former AIA Michigan President, Board of Directors; Michael Neville, AIA, AIA Michigan, President, Board of Directors**

Witting spoke to the Board regarding the perspective of the Integrated Path to Licensure Initiative from academic institutions. He discussed how the length of time it takes a student to get to the exam process has been a concern. By using the Integrated Path to Licensure and alleviating the process, it may assist in reducing the decline in enrollment for professional licensure. Twenty-five to thirty academic institutions sent in proposals outlining their Integrated Path to Licensure to NCARB. Thirteen of those proposals were accepted. Two of the academic institutions out of the 13 accepted were from Michigan – Lawrence Technological University and University of Detroit Mercy.

The American Institute of Architects would like to see statute changes that adopt NCARB changes that would make candidates eligible for the exam process before or while pursuing the completion of a degree. They are currently working with the Legislature in finding a sponsor to introduce legislation in support of the changes needed.

## **Department Update**

Brisbo stated that audit notices for licensees who have renewed will be sent out. He may be able to provide an update as to how the audit is going at the May meeting.

## **Article 20 Discussion**

King mentioned that he has had some inquiries as to how to apply MCL 339.2010. Siracuse and Brisbo explained how the article applies to firms.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jeffrey Ferweda and Michael Neville confirmed their support for Administrative Rule and statutory changes that reflect NCARB rules and will assist in gaining support for legislation. They also expressed concern in regards to the lack of enforcement and consequences towards those who practice the Architect profession in Michigan without a license.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held May 11, 2016 – Joint Design Boards meeting at 9:00 a.m. and the Architects Board Meeting will be 3:00 p.m. at the Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper Level Conference Center, Conference Room 3, Lansing, Michigan.

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Welmers, seconded by Larson to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION PREVAILED

Van Tine adjourned the meeting at 2:31 p.m.

  
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Kenneth Van Tine, Chairperson

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Date Minutes Approved

Janielle Houston, Board Secretary

Date Minutes Prepared: 1-15-2016