

Meeting Minutes
SOUTH DAKOTA ABSTRACTERS BOARD OF EXAMINERS
Holiday Inn Sioux Falls- City Centre by IHG- Cascade Room
100 W. 8th Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

June 12, 2025 – 4:00 p.m. CDT

President Roe called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. CDT

Members Present: Dan Roe, Greg Wick, Victoria Wilds, Michael Larson, Terra Larson

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Secretary; Katie Funke, Executive Assistant; Jennifer Doubleddee, Legal Counsel- Department of Labor and Regulation; Eric Hanson, Dakota Homestead; Jennifer Ehmann, Pennington Title; Steven Berndt, Campbell Co. Abstract; Wanda Berndt, McPherson Co. Abstract; Sam Benne, First American Title.

Board members introduced themselves. Wick, Roe, M. Larson, Wilds and T. Larson (via video conference) were in attendance. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Agenda: Wick made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. M. Larson seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment: There was no public comment provided.

Approval of the Minutes from February 5, 2025: M. Larson made a motion to approve the minutes from February 5, 2025. Wilds seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

FY Financial Update: Tellinghuisen Geddes reported fiscal year-to-date figures as of April 30, 2025: revenue of \$25,497.32 expenditures of \$46,044.20 and cash on hand of \$347,880.12.

Plant Exams Update: Wilds reported a recent exam was completed in Beadle County and there will be an upcoming exam in McCook County.

Legislative Updates: Tellinghuisen Geddes reminded the Board that SB 74, which will require the Board to review open meeting laws annually, passed.

Election of Officers: Wilds made a motion to keep the current slate of officers with Roe as President and Wick as Secretary/Treasurer. M. Larson seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Complaint Dismissals-Standing Authority: The board discussed a policy for dismissing future complaints pursuant to SDCL 36-1C-4. The new process will provide more efficiency in the complaint procedure. Following discussion, Wick made a motion to allow the investigative committee to dismiss future complaints and report to the board via email. Wilds seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Schedule Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 6, 2025, in Pierre. Testing will begin at 8:30 a.m. CDT and the business meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. CDT.

Executive Session: M. Larson made a motion to enter executive session at 4:25 p.m. CDT. Wilds seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote. All others exited meeting.

Roe declared an end to Executive Session at 4:25 p.m. CDT. Doubleddee and public members re-entered the meeting.

Complaints/Investigations: Roe recommended dismissal of complaint #2025-1. Wick made a motion to dismiss complaint #2025-1. M. Larson seconded the motion. **MOTION passed** by roll call vote: Roe, abstain; Wick, yes; Wilds, yes; M. Larson, yes; T. Larson, yes.

Other Business: A member of the public questioned the Board about the exam process when selling a plant. Wick offered to email the administrative rules to them for review.

Wilds made a motion to adjourn at 4:36 p.m. CDT. M. Larson seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes
Executive Secretary
Abstracters Board of Examiners