

Meeting Minutes
South Dakota Board of Technical Professions
Department of Labor, Centennial Room, 2330 N Maple Ave. Suite 1
Oct 11, 2024, 8:30 a.m. MDT

Chair Jared Carda called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. A quorum was present.

Members Present electronically: Cory Biegler, Ryan Callaghan, Catherine Dekkenga, and Colby Flynn.

Members Present in-person: Jared Carda (Board Chair)

Members Absent: Alex Fisher and Mike Coleman

Others Present electronically: Jodi Aumer, Executive Director, Jerry McCabe, Legal Counsel, Mike Newhouse, Maurice Brown, Derek McTighe, Todd Kenner, Amy DiRienzo, Rob Anderson, Paul Letsche, Nancy Hoines, and Enoch Banza

Others Present in person: Carrie Kerr, Program Assistant.

Chair Carda asked if there were any revisions to the meeting minutes as published.

Dekkenga moved that the board approve the published meeting agenda. Motion was seconded by Callaghan. **MOTION PASSED.**

Chair Carda opened the floor for public comments.

Derek McTighe, PE/LS, with the DPC announced that he is a proponent of the changes made to rules. Was appreciative of all the assistance with being heard and addressing issues.

Paul Letsche, LS, PLS President of the South Dakota Society of Professional Land Surveyors announced that he is a proponent of the changes made to the rules.

Amy DiRienzo (Hasvold), PE, SDES President announced that she is a proponent to the changes made to the rules. Amy requested that regarding 20:38:28:01 the lists of names remain in the minutes as the new database currently is unable to list the licenses issued by date. The public is unable to search this material in the new databases and many refer to the minutes to confirm licensure. Amy is also seeking no change be made to 20:38:29:01 in reference to updating information. During life events or busy times a professional may not be able to update information during that 10 day window.

Todd Kenner, PE, ACEC President, Member of DPC, announced that he is a proponent to the changes made to the rules. Todd would like our meetings to remain consistent for scheduling purposes citing 20:38:27:02 where meetings were to be every other month were being repealed. Todd mentioned that in 36:18A:18 Codified law states that the board shall hold at least six regular meetings in each year.

Maurice Brown, Assistant Vice President, NCARB, announced that he is a proponent to the changes made to the rules. Maurice mentioned that in the changes it would coincide with rules that have changed with NCARB regarding 20:38:32:02.

Jerry McCabe, Legal Counsel, went over the concerns that had been mentioned during public comments. Regarding 20:38:27:02 updating information, there has been a clause put in place for those in emergent situations. Those in those situations will not be penalized for not meeting the 10-day deadline. The reason for this change is due to the streamlined process and the importance of being aware of any updates to a business or professional's record. The decision to strike the list of names in 20:38:28:01 from the meeting minutes is also due to this streamlined process that was adopted about a year ago. Applications are not only being reviewed every two months at the board meetings. Applications are reviewed much more frequently and therefore the lists in the minutes are not those that are pending approval, they are ones that have been approved since the last meeting.

Jared Carda, Board Chair, clarified that 20:38:27:02 does have an emergency clause for those in emergent situations as he understands the pace of things is not always forgiving when it comes to remembering to update information.

Jerry McCabe, Legal Counsel, briefly covered the written comments that had been sent in. He advised that there had been 4 letters that had come in and that they had been added to the board packet posted online early this morning.

Letters were from the following agencies,

1. SDS PLS
2. SDES
3. DPC
4. ACEC

Dekkenga moved that the board approve the published changes to the rules. Motion was seconded by Biegler. **MOTION PASSED.**

Jerry McCabe advised that there still may be some stylistic changes that may occur to the rules due to the code of council who handles the verbiage.

Callahan moved that the board adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Flynn. **MOTION PASSED.**

Adjournment of Meeting

All business having come before the board was concluded and Chair Carda adjourned the meeting at 8:58 a.m.