Minutes of the Meeting
State Board for Architecture

1411 Broadway; Regents’ Room
New York, NY 10018

Present: John Tobin, Chair
Anik Pearson, Vice Chair (by phone)
Carol Bentel
Nicole Dosso
Latoya Kamdang
Marcy Stanley
Michael Samuelian

Absent: Jitendra Vaidya

Staff: Robert Lopez, Executive Secretary
Marci McKenna, Assistant in Professional Education

August 10, 2022

OPEN SESSION

1. Motion: Samuelian/Bentel: That the Board enter Executive Session. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. The Board resumed the Open Session.

3. Motion: Samuelian/Stanley: That the minutes of the May 11, 2022 meeting of the State Board for Architecture be approved. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Board Chair Report: Chair Tobin mentioned that he was pleased to see that the Continuing Education Modernization bill was signed into law and that flexibility in CE was important. Chair Tobin is unable to attend the NCARB MBC/MBE meeting in October in person but will participate remotely.

5. Board Office Report: The Board Office report was discussed. The Executive Secretary noted that the number of architects is at an all-time high in New York while the number of ARE candidates is relatively flat. The bill allowing 100% ESOP ownership of a DPC was signed (Ch. 439 of the Laws of 2022) and the Executive Secretary went over the key items contained within the new law with the Board.

6. Old Business:
   NCARB Annual Meeting Summary: The NCARB Annual Meeting Summary report was discussed. Upcoming meetings include the Region 2 Educator’s Symposium September 29/30 with a virtual option and the Spring Regional Meeting March 2-4.

   Continuing Education Modernization: The Executive Secretary informed the Board that proposed limits on certain types of educational activities have been deemed impermissible by the amended statute and legislative intent for added flexibility. After discussion, the majority of the Board agreed to recommend no limitations on certain educational activities. Draft regulations should be available at the Board’s November meeting.

   Practice Guidelines: Members Dosso and Samuelian will continue to work on this committee and Vice Chair Pearson volunteered to join them.
Women in Architecture Series: Vice Chair Pearson reported declining attendance at the seminars but there is a significant number of repeat attendees.

7. **New Business:**
   Future OPD Conversation: The Executive Director of OPD (Office of Professional Discipline), Dennis Spillane, is slated to attend the November meeting and the Executive Secretary included a list of suggested topics the Board may wish to discuss at that meeting in the Board package. Board members suggested additional areas such as having a summary cover page to each case, a standard checklist of items that Board members may need to review a case, and the potential for bundling “like” cases.

   **ICOR Meeting Summary:** The Interorganizational Council on Regulation (ICOR) held a recent meeting and has deployed a joint task force to look at overlapping scopes of practice with the goal of developing a position paper. While the study is informational in nature, the effort could influence model law in the future.

   **2023 Board Meeting Dates:** Dates for 2023 Board meetings were agreed to as follows: February 8, May 17, August 9, and November 8.

   **NCARB MBC/MBE Meeting:** As noted earlier, New York will participate virtually.

8. **Other Board Member Topics for Future Meetings:** None raised.

9. **Motion:** Samuelian/Dosso: Moved to adjourn. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

   The next meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, November 9, 2022, scheduled for NYC.

   Respectfully submitted,

   Robert Lopez, RA
   Executive Secretary
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EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The Board conducted a practical exam and recommended that the candidate be granted licensure.

2. The Board reviewed a candidate’s experience obtained at a company which designs and builds custom treehouses. After discussion, the Board agreed that the candidate should be granted two months of credit for experience under Category J, experience related to architecture.

3. The Board reviewed disciplinary cases.

4. Motion: Samuelian/Stanley: That the minutes of the May 11, 2022 meeting of the State Board for Architecture be approved. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Motion: Dosso/Samuelian: That the Board resume the Open Session. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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