NEW JERSEY SITE REMEDIATION PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD

FINAL

FEBRUARY 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes

4:00 PM

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Board Members:

Present

Phil Brilliant
Michele Christina
Lawra Dodge
Steven Domber
Paul Hauge
Joann Held
Nicholas Huszar
Michael Renzulli
Charles Stebbins
Kathi Stetser

Absent

Jay Meegoda Ira Whitman

Others Present

Executive Director Dana Haymes Program Specialist Victoria Glean Regulatory Officer Meredith Marcus DAG Zach Lawrence

Members of the Public that were present:

Michelle Bouwman, Rebecca Hollender, Kathleen Whooley, Peter Strom, Randy Shuler, Tina Layre, Sonya Ward, Mark Pietrucha, Candace Baker, Carlton Dudley, David Haymes, Rose DeLorenzo

Proceedings

- Meeting called to Order at 4:02 PM by Chairperson Paul Hauge.
- Paul Hauge read the Statement of Adequate Public Notice of the meeting required by the Open Public Meetings Act.
- Roll Call:

Phil Brilliant - Present Michele Christina - Present Lawra Dodge - Present

Steven Domber - Present (joined the meeting at 4:45)

Paul Hauge - Present
Joann Held - Present
Nicholas Huszar - Present
Jay Meegoda - Absent
Michael Renzulli - Present
Charles Stebbins - Present
Kathi Stetser - Present
Ira Whitman - Absent

A quorum of the Board was in attendance.

• Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes

o Motion by Joann Held to approve the January 6, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion seconded by Michael Renzulli.

Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant - Yes - Yes Michele Christina Lawra Dodge - Yes Steven Domber - Absent Paul Hauge - Abstain Joann Held - Yes Nicholas Huszar - Abstain Jay Meegoda - Absent Michael Renzulli - Yes

Charles Stebbins - Yes
Kathi Stetser - Yes
Ira Whitman - Absent

The motion was approved.

 Motion by Joann Held to approve the January 6, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes of the Closed Session.

Motion seconded by Phil Brilliant.

Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant - Yes Michele Christina - Yes Lawra Dodge - Yes Steven Domber - Absent - Abstain Paul Hauge Joann Held - Yes Nicholas Huszar - Abstain Jay Meegoda - Absent Michael Renzulli - Yes Charles Stebbins - Yes Kathi Stetser - Yes Ira Whitman - Absent

The motion was approved.

• Chairperson's Report

Paul Hauge introduced himself as the Chairperson of the Board appointed by Commissioner Shawn LaTourette. He is an advisor to the Commissioner. He is looking forward to working with the Board Members and Board Staff.

• Executive Director's Report

Dana Haymes welcomed new Board Chairperson Paul Hauge and new Board Members Jay Meegoda and Nicholas Huszar.

Jay Meegoda will serve as the Board Member that represents the academic community. His term is through June 25, 2027. He will replace Peter Strom, who has served honorably in this position since July 2015.

Nick Huszar will serve as one of the LSRP Board Members. His term is through June 24, 2028.

Peter Strom tendered his resignation upon the appointment of Jay Meegoda as the academic representative. The entire Board Staff and all Board Members extend their thanks to Peter for all his years of service to the SRPL Board. Everyone on the SRPL Board will miss his many contributions but wish him well in all his future endeavors.

Peter Strom addressed the Board. He admitted that when he first joined the Board he had doubts about the LSRP program. But in his more than nine years as a Board Member he has come to consider the program a success. He credits LSRPs, most of whom expend great effort to protect public health and safety and the environment. He also appreciates the work of the LSRPA and DEP in supporting and working with LSRPs and striving to make the program a success. He admires the Board Members for the amount of time and effort they volunteer on behalf of the Board, assisted by the talented and dedicated staff of Dana Haymes, Victoria Glean and Meredith Marcus. He has learned a lot and enjoyed his association with the Board and wishes everyone continued success.

Committee Reports

• Ad Hoc Committee on Board Membership – Michele Christina

Michele Christina reported that there is currently a nominee to the Board whose nomination did not advance to the Judiciary Committee. She will be reaching out to the legislative representative to find out why. The Ad Hoc Committee will be meeting on this and other issues later in the month.

• Ad Hoc Committee on Independent Professional Judgment and Remedial Process Improvement Initiative – Phil Brilliant

Phil Brilliant noted that all Board Members have been provided a copy of the Statement of Interpretation: Independent Professional Judgment.

Lawra Dodge noted that she thinks some language should be changed.

The Board will discuss Lawra Dodge's suggestions in closed session. A vote to adopt the Statement will be held after closed session.

• Licensure Committee – Kathi Stetser

Kathi Stetser reported that the next licensing exam will be held on April 9, 2025.

The application period closed on January 31, 2025. Approximately 60 applications were received. About one-third of those were reapplications from individuals who were previously approved to take the exam and took it but did not pass.

Dana Haymes reported that approximately 110 LSRPs still have not paid their annual license fees. Please pay those as soon as possible, as they are now past due.

• Audit Committee – Ira Whitman

Phil Brilliant reported on behalf of Ira Whitman that the following audits were completed:

Teresa Blauch – 629030 – December Frank Brockerhoff – 573509 – December Ricky Chenenko – 627744 - December

• Continuing Education – Lawra Dodge

Lawra Dodge reported that the following continuing education programs were approved for continuing education credit.

TITLE	PROVIDER	DATE	CECs	COURSE NUMBER
2025 Topical Presentations	NJDEP and LSRPA	March 26, 2025	1 Regulatory and 1 Technical	005-2025
Regulatory Roundtable – Linear Construction Project Applicability	LSRPA	April 8, 2025	0.5 Regulatory and 1 Technical	006-2025

• Finance Committee – Michael Renzulli

A total of 110 LSRPs have yet to pay their 2025 annual license fee. Reminder notices were sent on January 29, 2025.

Nicholas Huszar will replace Kathi Stetser on the Finance Committee.

• Outreach Committee - Charles Stebbins

Charles Stebbins reported that the 2025 Quarter 1 Newsletter was circulated on January 9, 2025. The next newsletter will be circulated in early April. The Committee will meet to begin preparing the newsletter next week.

• Professional Conduct Committee – Phil Brilliant

 Motion by Phil Brilliant to enter closed session to discuss Complaint 004-2024 and the statement on Independent Professional Judgment.

Motion seconded by Lawra Dodge.

All present voted yes.

The motion was approved.

Open session resumed at 5:34

O Motion by Phil Brilliant to accept the Statement of Interpretation: Independent Professional Judgment with modifications as discussed and agreed to in closed session.

Motion seconded by Michael Renzulli.

Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant - Yes Michele Christina - Yes Lawra Dodge - Yes - Yes Steven Domber Paul Hauge - Yes Joann Held - Yes - Yes Nicholas Huszar Jay Meegoda - Absent Michael Renzulli - Yes Charles Stebbins - Yes Kathi Stetser - Yes Ira Whitman - Absent

The motion was approved.

o Motion by Phil Brilliant, in the matter of Complaint 004-2024, to find the subject in violation of N.J.A.C. 7:26I-2.3(c)2 in one instance, and to notify the subject through a letter of admonition signed by the Chairperson of the SRPL Board.

Motion seconded by Joann Held.

Roll Call Vote:

Phil Brilliant - Yes Michele Christina - Yes Lawra Dodge - Yes Steven Domber - Yes Paul Hauge - Yes Joann Held - Yes Nicholas Huszar - Yes Jay Meegoda - Absent Michael Renzulli - Yes Charles Stebbins - Yes Kathi Stetser - Yes Ira Whitman - Absent

The motion was approved.

The subject of the Complaint is LSRP Edward Keffer, 627887.

• Ongoing Business

Lawra Dodge would like the Board to address the issue of artificial intelligence, as this will significantly impact the work of LSRPs. She would like the paper that she prepared to be circulated to the Board Members so this topic can be addressed at the March SRPL Board Meeting.

New Business

None.

Next Board Meeting

o Motion by Phil Brilliant to cancel the Board meeting scheduled for February 18, 2025.

Motion seconded by Michele Christina.

All present voted yes.

The motion was approved.

The next Board Meeting will be March 3, 2025.

• Public Comments

None.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:48 PM.