

MISSISSIPPI LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (LAAC)

Minutes of a Regular Meeting

October 12, 2021, 1:05 PM

Ridgeland, Mississippi

Members Present: Jon Milstead (by teleconference), Brantley Snipes (by teleconference), Martha G. Hill, Alan Hoops, Jim Jackson

Also Present: Ellie Word (by teleconference), Nathan Crace, Andrew Kilpatrick, John Cothron

With a quorum present, Mr. Hoops called the meeting to order.

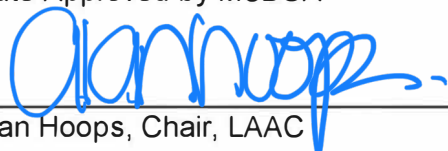
Agenda Item	Explanation	Actions Taken/Planned
1. Minutes		Motion was made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Ms. Hill to approve the minutes from the August 2021 meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Approval of Certificates		Motion was made by Ms. Hill and seconded by Mr. Milstead to approve certificates issued since the August 2021 meeting (attached). The motion passed unanimously.
3. Nathan Crace Interview	Members interviewed Mr. Crace regarding his qualifications to sit for the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) through the experience option.	
Mr. Crace departed from the meeting.		
		Motion was made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Ms. Hill to authorize Mr. Crace to sit for the LARE. The motion passed 4-1, with Mr. Hoops voting against the motion.
4. Building Official's Guide Updates	Mr. Cothron reviewed minor updates to the <i>Building Official's Guide to Landscape Architecture Requirements</i> .	Motion was made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Ms. Hill to approve the updates to the guide. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Proposed Rule Changes	Mr. Cothron presented proposed changes to Rules 1.2.3 (regarding eligibility requirements), 1.5 (to align the duplicate certificate fee with the fee in the statute), 1.10.1 (regarding reinstatement requirements), 1.11 (regarding seal and signature requirements), 1.13 (to comply with the "Universal Recognition of Occupational Licenses Act") and 3.1 (regarding disciplinary procedures). Members agreed that no changes were required to Rules 2.6.5 and 2.6.6 regarding design/build projects, which are	Motion was made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Ms. Hill to approve the proposed rule changes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

	already closely aligned with the rules for architects.	
6. CEU Age Exemption		Members agreed to hold this topic for discussion at the next regular meeting.
7. Proposed Modification to <i>Miss. Code. Ann. §73-2-5</i>	Mr. Kilpatrick reviewed the proposed modification, which would add a reference to safeguarding of "life, health and property" to the statute.	Motion was made by Ms. Hill and seconded by Mr. Jackson to recommend approval of the proposed change to the Board of Architecture. The motion passed unanimously.
8. Proposed Modifications to <i>Miss. Code. Ann. §73-1-19</i>	Mr. Kilpatrick explained the Board of Architecture/LAAC task force proposal to amend the statute to allow landscape architects to have ownership interest in an architectural firm and make other changes.	
Mr. Milstead departed from the meeting.		
		Motion was made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Ms. Hill to recommend approval of the proposed changes to the Board of Architecture with a request to change the allowed landscape architect ownership percentage to 50% and to remove the language requiring an architect to sign a contract for joint services. The motion passed 4-0.
9. CLARB Updates	No updates were provided on CLARB activities.	
10. CLARB Annual Meeting Debriefing	Members discussed outcomes/impressions of the CLARB Annual Meeting.	
Mr. Kilpatrick departed from the meeting.		
11. FY 2023 Budget Request Overview	Mr. Cothron reviewed the Board of Architecture's FY 2023 budget request for information purposes.	
12. Meeting Schedule		Members agreed to set January 19, 2022, as the date of the next regular LAAC meeting. Members asked Mr. Cothron to determine a different date for the April 2022 meeting that will not conflict with the Twin States Conference, which is scheduled for April 7-9, 2022, in Oxford, MS.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with unanimous consent at 3:26 PM.

10/19/21


Date Approved by MSBOA



Alan Hoops, Chair, LAAC



Jon Milstead, Secretary, LAAC



Prepared by John Cothron, Executive Director, on 10/13/21

Landscape Architect Certificates Issued for Approval			
Lic Number	Name	License Date	Method
378	Diane Jones Allen	9/1/2021	REINSTATEMENT
230	Thomas W. Bobbitt, Jr.	10/4/2021	REINSTATEMENT
268	Charles Harvey Byrd	9/15/2021	REINSTATEMENT
733	Charles Haynes III	8/11/2021	RECIPROCITY
726	Christopher M. Rose	5/20/2021	RECIPROCITY