

## BOARD OF NATURAL SCIENTISTS MINUTES

A meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Natural Scientists was held on March 2, 2022. The meeting was held at the OPLC offices at 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH. The public may in-person as well as via video/teleconference.

Board Members present in-person: Board Chair Burt, Board Member Albert, Board Member Long and Confirmed Member Fopiano.

Also present in-person from OPLC: Board Administrator Dawn Couture.

1. **Call to order** – 9:09 a.m.
2. **Interview/hearing/meeting** – None.
3. **Reading of minutes of January 6, 2022 meeting** – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Chair Burt to approve the public minutes as written. The motion passed 3-0. Confirmed Member Fopiano abstained.
4. **Reading of Communications** –
  - a. Wetland written exams scheduled for March 11<sup>th</sup> – Noted.
5. **Reading and Consideration of Applications** –
  - a. Apprentice Applications – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Long to approve the following applicants with the corresponding apprentice numbers. The motion passed 3-0. Member Fopiano abstained.  
  
Wetland      Appl. #22-08    Briana B. Stringer      #WSA-067
  - b. Wetland applications for the written exam –  
  
Appl. #22-06    Nicole L. Martin – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Long to approval for the next written exam. The motion passed 3-0. Confirmed Member Fopiano abstained.  
  
Appl. #22-09    Peter J. Petkauskos – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Chair Burt to approval for the next written exam. The motion passed 2-0. Board Member Long and Confirmed Member Fopiano abstained.

**6. Unfinished Business –**

- a. Administrative rule changes – The Board finished going through the administrative rules and made the appropriate changes. Administrator Couture will provide the changes to Tina Kelley.

**7. New Business –**

- a. Paul O’Hanlon – Acceptable soil courses – The Board held a discussion. Administrator Couture to respond. The courses referred in Mr. O’Hanlon’s emails; Studio Soils and Soil Ecology do not count towards the required Soil genesis and Soil morphology courses pursuant to Soil 302.03.
  - b. Jessica J. Bailey – Trouble finding required soil courses – Administrator Couture to respond. There are courses schools available that offer the required soil courses pursuant to Soil 302.03. Ms. Bailey may need to look outside of NH.
  - c. Charles Bollinger – Requesting waiver to renew – Administrator Couture to respond back. Mr. Bollinger has up to 12 months from the date of license expiration to renew; although Mr. Bollinger cannot be practicing as a Certified Wetland Scientist until his license has been renewed and approved.
  - d. Standing Order on Failed or Returned License Fee – Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Chair Burt to accept the standing order provided. The motion passed 3-0. Confirmed Member Fopiano abstained.
  - e. Continuing Education Audit – Noted.
  - f. Date and Time of next meeting – ***April 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.***
- 8. Adjournment –** Board Member Albert made a motion which was appropriately seconded by Board Member Long to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Dawn Couture  
Board Administrator II