## VIRGINIA BOARD FOR

## ASBESTOS, LEAD, AND HOME INSPECTORS

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The Virginia Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors met on May 9, 2024, at the offices of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Board Room1, Richmond, Virginia, 23233.

The following members of the Board were present:

Stacy J. Armentrout
Douglas Burgess
Ralph Costen
John E. Cranor, Chair
Jesse Phillips
Kevin Salva, Vice-Chair
Patrick Studley
Paul D. Thomas
Robin Wilder

Board members Michael Baum, Robert Shackford, Sharad Tandale, and Louis Walker were not present at the meeting.

The following staff members were present at all or part of the meeting:

Kishore S. Thota, Director

Steve Kirschner, Licensing and Regulatory Programs Division Deputy Director

Marjorie King, Executive Director

Joseph C. Haughwout, Regulatory Affairs Manager

Cameron Parris, Regulatory Operations Administrator

Lisa Robinson, Licensing Operations Administrator

Rachel Harris, Administrative Coordinator

Josh Laws from the Office of the Attorney General was present.

| Mr. Cranor, Chair, finding a quorum of the Board present, called the meeting to | Call to Order |
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| order at 9:00 a.m.  |               |

| Ms. King advised the Board of emergency evacuation procedures. | <b>Emergency</b>  |
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|  | <b>Evacuation</b> |
|  | Procedures        |

| Mr. Salva moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Wilder seconded the    | Approval of |
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| motion which was unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, | Agenda      |
| Phillips Salva Studley Thomas and Wilder                                       |             |

| Mr. Salva moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2024, Board meeting,  | Approval of Minutes |
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| February 12, 2024, Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulatory Review Committee meeting, and April 23, 2024, Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulatory Review | <u>lvimutes</u>     |
| Committee meeting as amended. Ms. Wilder seconded the motion which was  |                     |

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unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, Phillips, Salva, Studley, Thomas, and Wilder.

There were no members of the public present to address the Board.

Public Comment Period

Mr. Cranor read into the record the Resolution for Service for Tanya M. Pettus.

In the matter of **File Number 2024-00809**, **Christopher Wayne Mays**, the Board members reviewed the record, which consisted of the application file, transcript and exhibits from the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, and the Presiding Officer's Summary and Recommendation.

File Number 2024-00809, Christopher Wayne Mays

Christopher Wayne Mays (Applicant) participated in the Informal Fact Finding by telephone.

Christopher Wayne Mays (Applicant) did not attend the Board meeting in person, by counsel, or by any other qualified representative.

Mr. Studley moved to accept the recommendation of the Presiding Officer and deny Mr. Mays application for a home inspector license. Mr. Salva seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, Phillips, Salva, Studley, Thomas, and Wilder.

In the matter of File Number 2024-01188, Joseph Andrews Allen, the Board members reviewed the record, which consisted of the application file, transcript and exhibits from the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, and the Presiding Officer's Summary and Recommendation.

File Number 2024-01188, Joseph Andrews Allen

Joseph Andrews Allen (Applicant) participated in the Informal Fact Finding by telephone.

Joseph Andrews Allen (Applicant) attended the Board meeting and agreed with the recommendation.

Mr. Phillips moved to accept the recommendation of the Presiding Officer and approve Mr. Allen's application for a home inspector license. Mr. Studley seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, Phillips, Salva, Studley, Thomas, and Wilder.

In the matter of File Number 2023-01930, Arthur Darin Strickland, the Board reviewed the Consent Order and Report of Findings as seen and agreed upon by Arthur Darin Strickland.

File Number 2023-01930, Arthur Darin Strickland

Arthur Darin Strickland did not attend the Board meeting in person, by counsel, or by any other qualified representative.

A motion was made by Ms. Wilder, and seconded by Mr. Phillips, to ratify the proposed Consent Order wherein Arthur Darin Strickland acknowledges an understanding of the charges and admits to the violation of the count as outlined in the Report of Findings.

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Arthur Darin Strickland consents to the following:

Count 1: 18 VAC 15-40-120 A \$250

Arthur Darin Strickland agrees to Board costs of \$150.00

Total fines and costs of \$400.00

Further, Arthur Darin Strickland agrees to provide a compliant contract within 30 days.

The motion was unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, Phillips, Salva, Studley, Thomas, and Wilder.

Mrs. Parris provided an update on the status of the Board's regulatory actions.

Regulatory Action Update

Mr. Salva moved to repeal the Initial Promulgation of Lead-Based Paint Renovations, Repair, and Painting Regulation. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, Phillips, Salva, Studley, Thomas, and Wilder.

Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair, and Painting Regulation

Mrs. Parris provided the Board with proposed amendments to the Virginia Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulations as recommended by the Virginia Lead-Based Paint Activities Regulations Review Committee.

Consider
Proposed Draft
Amendments to
Virginia LeadBased Paint
Activities
Regulations

After Mrs. Parris and Mr. Haughwout performed a thorough review with the Board, Mrs. Parris asked the Board to consider adopting the proposed amendments as amended. Mr. Armentrout moved to adopt the proposed amendments as amended, authorizing staff to make stylistic and non-substantive changes as needed, and file the proposed stage of the regulatory action. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, Phillips, Salva, Studley, Thomas, and Wilder.

Mr. Emerson provided the Board with an update on examination statistics.

**Examination Update** 

The Board recessed from 10:45 a.m. to 10:52 a.m.

Recess

Mr. Ferguson provided the Board with an update on the most recent Home Inspector CPE audit.

Home Inspector
CPE Audit
Report

Reconsideration of Case Decisions

Marjorie King, Executive Director, informed the Board: Section 2.2-4023.1 of the Code of Virginia enables a party to submit a petition seeking reconsideration of a

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final decision made by an agency pursuant to section 2.2-4020. Upon receipt of such petition, the agency is mandated to issue a written decision within 30 days. In instances where reconsideration pertains to a decision made by a policy-making board within an agency, the board possesses various avenues to address the petition. These include the option to delegate authority for considering the petition to the board chair, a designated subcommittee, or the agency's director responsible for administrative support to the board, typically the Executive Director.

To adhere to the statutory timeframe for addressing reconsiderations, it's respectfully requested that the Board delegate responsibility of addressing reconsiderations to the Board's Executive Director, in accordance with the provisions outlined in the statute.

Mr. Cranor moved to authorize the Executive Director to make determinations as to whether to reconsider Board decisions in such cases that a petition is received. Ms. Wilder seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Armentrout, Burgess, Costen, Cranor, Phillips, Salva, Studley, Thomas, and Wilder.

Ms. King informed the Board of current and past statistical data related to Board cases, licensing applications, emails, and phone calls.

**Executive Director Report** 

Ms. King reminded the Board members of the upcoming Board Member Training Conference being held at the Great Wolfe Lodge in Williamsburg, VA, on October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.

Board Member Training Conference

Ms. King provided the Board with the most recent financial statements for informational purposes.

**Board Financial Statements** 

Ms. King provided the Board with an update on the 2024 Legislative session, and bills that impact the Board.

Legislative Updates

Mr. Cranor reminded the Board that the next scheduled meeting date is August 15, 2024.

Future Meeting Dates

Mr. Cranor reminded the Board members to complete and return their conflict-of-interest forms and travel vouchers.

Complete
Conflict of
Interest Forms
and Travel
Vouchers

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Adjourn

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John E. Cranor, Chair

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Kishore S. Thota, Secretary