State Architects Licensure Board July 13, 2023

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BOARD MEMBERS:

Jerry K. Roller, RA, President
Arion R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of
Professional and Occupational Affairs
William J. Bates, RA, Secretary - Absent
Jonathan Burns, Esquire, Deputy Attorney General,
Office of Attorney General
Michael Johns, RA

Mary E. McClenaghan, RA, Vice President Aram Piligian Jr., RA

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Dean F. Picarella, Esquire, Senior Counsel, Counsel Division
Ariel E. O'Malley, Esquire, Interim Board Counsel

Ashley Goshert, Esquire, Counsel Division

Ray Michalowski, Esquire, Senior Board Prosecutor and Board Prosecution Liaison

Angela L. Solomon, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison Jessica Harris, Board Administrator

Andrew LaFratte, MPA, Deputy Policy Director, Department of State

Michael McDonald, Policy Director, Department of State

ALSO PRESENT:

David Kent, Project Architect, HHSDR Architects and Engineers, Inc.

Jennifer Smeltz, Republican Executive Director, Senate

Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure Amal Mahrouki, Director of Legislative Affairs, American Institute of Architects of Pennsylvania Scott Yeager, Outreach Manager, Pennie Derek Richmond

3 * * * 1 2 State Architects Licensure Board 3 July 13, 2023 * * * 4 5 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at 9:30 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session 6 7 with Ariel E. O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations and to receive advice of counsel. The 10 Board returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.] * * * 11 12 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State 13 Architects Licensure Board was held on Thursday, July 13, 2023. Jerry K. Roller, RA, President, called the 14 15 meeting to order at 10:37 a.m. 16 Roll Call/Introduction of Attendees 17 18 [President Roller requested a roll call of Board 19 members and introduction of attendees.] * * * 20 21 Approval of minutes of the May 10, 2023 meeting 22 PRESIDENT ROLLER: 23 The first order of business is approval 24 of minutes from the May 10, 2023

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   Liaison, had no Consent Agreements for the Board's
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   consideration but informed Board members that
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   prosecution has been working on citations and orders
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   to show cause.]
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   Report of Board Counsel - General Revisions
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   [Ariel E. O'Malley, Esquire, Board Counsel, addressed
   the rolling clock regulation that the Board had voted
   in March to send out as an exposure draft.
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   informed Board members that no comments were received
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   and provided the proposed annex and preamble.]
   MS. O'MALLEY:
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                  I believe the Board would entertain a
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                  motion to promulgate that regulation as
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                  proposed.
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   PRESIDENT ROLLER:
                  Any comments on those two documents?
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                  If not, could I have a motion to
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                  promulgate the regulation as proposed?
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   MR. PILIGIAN:
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   ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT:
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                  Second.
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   PRESIDENT ROLLER:
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We have a motion and a second.

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McClenaghan, would you call the roll,
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                  Mr. Roller, yes; Mr. Claggett, aye; Mr.
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                  Burns, yes; Mr. Johns, aye; Ms.
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                  McClenaghan, yes; Mr. Piligian, aye.
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   [The motion carried unanimously.]
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   [Ms. O'Malley informed Board members that this would
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   be her last meeting with the Board, and Ashley
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   Goshert would be replacing her as Board Counsel.
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        President Roller thanked Ms. O'Malley for her
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   service and welcomed Ms. Goshert.
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   Miscellaneous - Appointment - Michael McDonald
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     Introduction to the Board
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   [Michael McDonald, Policy Director, Department of
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   State, introduced himself and informed everyone that
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   he is available to assist the Board and is working
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   closely with Deputy Policy Director Andrew LaFratte.
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    He provided a brief history of his professional
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   background.
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        Mr. McDonald explained that the policy office
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   works with all of the boards in all of the program
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   initiatives, including researching other states and
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   analyzing legislation and regulation. He noted they
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   also assess Sunrise Applications for new licensure
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   classes. He also reported working closely with the
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   governor and the secretary in the department to
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   implement their policy agenda.
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        Mr. McDonald mentioned being a resource for all
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   of the boards and offered assistance regarding any
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   ideas or concerns the Board may have concerning
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   regulations.
        President Roller thanked and welcomed Mr.
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   Miscellaneous - Appointment - American Institute of
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     Architects Pennsylvania
   [Amal Mahrouki, Director of Legislative Affairs,
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   American Institute of Architects Pennsylvania,
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   informed Board members that AIA continues to work
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   through government affairs on working a deal with the
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   Interior Design Legislative Coalition of Pennsylvania
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   (IDLCPA) and currently looking at providing a
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Ms. Mahrouki addressed AIA's large states advocacy discussion regarding bipartisanship and

organization to organization.

statement laying out the parameters of discussions

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issues impacting large states across the nation
concerning architects. She mentioned that AIA
National is having a national advocacy event called
Architects in Action and would be learning about the
trends across the nation.

- Ms. Mahrouki stated AIA is preparing a Tri-State Housing Summit for December, along with AIA New York and AIA New Jersey. She noted AIA continues to seek registrations for their advocacy event, AIA District Days in August. She mentioned that anyone interested can register with AIA for help setting up their own personal legislator for a meeting in the district.
- President Roller requested updates on legislative issues.
- Ms. Mahrouki reported House Bill 611 passed both chambers and is awaiting signatures. She noted AIA Pennsylvania was heavily involved in advocating for school construction funding, specifically for PlanCon, and believed grants are included in the budget for school construction. She mentioned that PlanCon 2.0 has not been funded yet and is one of AIA's legislative priorities.
- Ms. Mahrouki stated AIA continues to work with the Interior Designer Legislative Coalition of Pennsylvania on some type of tentative agreement and

1 informing everybody of the parameters of the
2 legislative agreement.

Ms. Mahrouki addressed legal reform and reported no movement on the Statute of Repose Bill introduced by Senator Laughlin but was hopeful to resume solid advocacy once the budget discussions settle down. She mentioned that AIA has also been following a lot of housing and community development issues, noting two different bills passed the House and Senate related to an increase for fair funding that would lead to more affordable housing.

Ms. Mahrouki stated AIA is looking at accessibility codes and mentioned a lawsuit requiring Pennsylvania to revert back to the 2018 accessibility codes. She noted AIA is working with stakeholders to ensure that they would be able to adopt the accessibility provisions of the International Building Code (IBC) on the same timeline that building codes are adopted in Pennsylvania to ensure the same timeline and to ensure that they continue updating and adopting new accessibility codes.

President Roller thanked Ms. Mahrouki for providing all of those updates.]

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25 Report of Acting Commissioner - No Report

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Report of Board President - NCARB Correspondence [Jerry K. Roller, RA, President, referred to the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) correspondence. He addressed his attendance at the NCARB Annual Business Meeting in Tampa, FL, along with Ms. Harris, Ms. McClenaghan, and Mr. Bates. He noted a fairly spirited discussion and adoption of some streamlining and changes to the NCARB Board. He also noted resolutions were passed.

President Roller reported that NCARB is working on the testing information for the Architect Registration Examination (ARE) after a breach was found.

President Roller referred to the request for accommodation on exams and asked whether they still need to come to the Board or whether the Board could accept NCARB approving those.

Ms. Harris explained that some boards allow NCARB to make all of the decisions concerning accommodation requests, but their Board requires all of those to come back to the Board. She mentioned that it is just changing the order, where NCARB would gather the information and send it to the Board for their response instead of the Board gathering all of the

information.

President Roller asked whether the Board is allowed to permit NCARB to handle the accommodation requests, noting the requests include things like more time due to medical conditions and English as a Secondary Language (ESL).

Ms. O'Malley explained that the regulations already say that candidates shall apply with examination procedures, conduct standards and standards pertaining to eligibility, and passing of the ARE established by NCARB, which would probably fall under their procedures.

Ms. O'Malley noted that a lot of the procedures also contain the ability of extended examination periods for people who have things like Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and learning disabilities and different disabilities that are already qualifying conditions who need more time or special accommodations and would probably be within NCARB's Procedure Manual.

President Roller noted being comfortable allowing NCARB to evaluate the validity of the requests.

Ms. O'Malley informed Board members that they could ask for NCARB's written procedures for accommodations for review at the next Board meeting

before the Board makes a decision.

President Roller asked Ms. Harris to contact

NCARB for the procedures to be placed on the agenda

for September's meeting. He commented that allowing

NCARB to handle the requests would also probably

speed up the process for some applicants.]

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8 [A Formal Hearing was held from 11:01 a.m. until
9 11:36 a.m. in the Matter of the Provisional Denial of
10 the Application for Licensure by Reciprocity of

Robert Fryer, Case No. 23-41-005108.]

Miscellaneous - Appointment - Pennsylvania Insurance

Department - Pennie Health Insurance Presentation

[Scott Yeager, Outreach Manager, Pennie, presented to
the Board to provide information about the

Pennsylvania Health Insurance Exchange Authority,
also known as Pennie. He informed everyone that

Pennie is the official state-based marketplace for
the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and he would be
discussing the financial assistance available to
those seeking health insurance options.]

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24 [Acting Commissioner Claggett requested Mr. Yeager 25 return with the presentation at a later date due to

13 technical difficulties.] 1 * * * 2 3 Applications - Firm Applications 4 MS. O'MALLEY: 5 At item 7, I believe that in accordance 6 with discussions in Executive Session, the Board would entertain a motion to provisionally deny the Application of 9 Framework Consulting Services, LLC. 10 MR. PILIGIAN: 11 So moved. ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT: 12 13 Second. 14 PRESIDENT ROLLER: 15 We have a motion and a second. Ms. McClenaghan, would you call the roll, 16 17 please? 18 19 Mr. Roller, yes; Mr. Claggett, aye; Mr. 20 Burns, yes; Mr. Johns, aye; Ms. 21 McClenaghan, yes; Mr. Piligian, aye. [The motion carried unanimously.] 22 23 Applications - ARE Approval Applications 24 25 MS. O'MALLEY:

14 1 At item 8, I believe that in accordance 2 with discussions in Executive Session, 3 the Board would entertain a motion to 4 approve the Application of Anthony 5 Colianni. 6 MR. PILIGIAN: 7 So moved. 8 ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT: 9 Second. 10 PRESIDENT ROLLER: 11 Motion and a second. Ms. McClenaghan, 12 please call the roll. 13 14 Mr. Roller, yes; Mr. Claggett, aye; Mr. 15 Burns, yes; Mr. Johns, aye; Ms. 16 McClenaghan, yes. [The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Piligian was 17 18 not called to vote.] * * * 19 20 MS. O'MALLEY: 21 At item 9, I believe that in accordance 22 with discussions in Executive Session, 23 the Board would entertain a motion to 24 provisionally deny the Application of 25 Seamus Patrick Coyle.

15 1 MR. PILIGIAN: 2 So moved. 3 ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT: 4 Second. 5 PRESIDENT ROLLER: 6 Motion and a second. Please call the 7 roll. 9 Mr. Roller, yes; Mr. Claggett, aye; Mr. 10 Burns, yes; Mr. Johns, aye; Ms. 11 McClenaghan, yes; Mr. Piligian, yes. 12 [The motion carried unanimously.] 13 * * * 14 Applications - Reciprocal Licensing Applications 15 MS. O'MALLEY: 16 At item 10, Pablo Wolf will be set up for an informal conference to obtain 17 18 additional information. 19 MS. O'MALLEY: 20 At item 11, in accordance with 21 discussions in Executive Session, I 22 believe the Board would entertain a 23 motion to approve the Application of 24 Andrei Malyshev. 25 MR. PILIGIAN:

16 1 So moved. 2 ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT: 3 Second. PRESIDENT ROLLER: 4 5 Please call the roll. 6 7 Mr. Roller, yes; Mr. Claggett, aye; Mr. 8 Burns, yes; Mr. Johns, aye; Ms. 9 McClenaghan, no; Mr. Piligian, yes. 10 [The motion carried. Mary McClenaghan opposed the motion.1 11 MS. O'MALLEY: 12 13 At item 12, I believe in accordance with discussions in Executive Session 14 15 that the Board would entertain a motion 16 to approve the Application of Lawrence 17 Philip Baraldi. 18 MR. PILIGIAN: So moved. 19 20 ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT: 21 Second. 22 PRESIDENT ROLLER: 23 Please call the roll. 24 25 Mr. Roller, yes; Mr. Claggett, aye; Mr.

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   [The motion carried. Mary McClenaghan opposed the
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   [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act,
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   at 11:45 a.m. the Board entered into Executive
   Session with Ariel E. O'Malley, Esquire, Board
   Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial
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   deliberations and to receive advice of counsel.
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   Board returned to open session at 11:55 a.m.]
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   Report of Board Administrator
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   [Jessica Harris, Board Administrator, reported
   renewals were at 90 percent at the end of the renewal
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   period and she is starting to receive reactivations
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   for people who may have forgotten.
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        Ms. Harris noted receiving information at the
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   NCARB Meeting regarding the interpretation of the
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   licensing tool and the Tri-National Mutual
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   Recognition Agreement (MRA). She addressed the
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   Integrated Path to Architectural Licensure (IPAL)
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   question, noting they would not receive a license
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   until they meet education, examination, and
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   experience requirements but asked whether would the
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Board accept it if they pass the section prior. She noted Pennsylvania currently would not accept it if they pass any sections of the exam.

President Roller commented that they not only have accepted IPAL but the first IPAL graduate presented to the Board at a meeting. He noted the principle of IPAL is that the exam and experience could be taken at any point, and once they have all three, they would receive a license. He further explained that once somebody participates in IPAL and takes their test and completes the exam, experience, and education that they would be granted a license.

Ms. Harris informed Board members that she would provide the update.

Ms. Harris referred to the Tri-National MRA and asked whether the records should be updated to show Board acceptance. She informed Board members that she requested information at NCARB's Annual Business Meeting and read a response from Ellen Cathey at NCARB stating that the Regulatory Organizations of Architecture in Canada (ROAC), formerly Canadian Architectural Licensing Authorities (CALA), requirements are very similar to theirs with accredited education, structured experience, and comprehensive examination; but the Mexican

requirements are not as similar in elements as

NCARB's or CALA's and addressed the differences in

the email.

President Roller recommended relaying to NCARB that applications under this MRA would be accepted subject to approval of the Board, noting there would not be a tremendous volume from Mexico or Canada.

Ms. Harris believed when they are approved by the MRA that they are given the certificate and the Board would receive the certificate and then issue, noting that the Board would almost have to be notified by NCARB that they are applying under this MRA as opposed to just them applying with their Blue Cover and issue in the office without approval by the Board.

Ms. Harris stated she would inform NCARB to notify the Board when they receive those applications for review by the Board.]

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20 Adjournment

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21 PRESIDENT ROLLER:

22 I would accept a motion to adjourn.

23 MR. PILIGIAN:

24 So moved.

25 ACTING COMMISSIONER CLAGGETT:

20 Second. 1 2 PRESIDENT ROLLER: 3 Thank you very much. We are adjourned. * * * 4 5 [There being no further business, the State 6 Architects Licensure Board Meeting adjourned at 12:04 7 p.m.] 8 * * * 9 10 CERTIFICATE 11 I hereby certify that the foregoing summary 12 13 minutes of the State Architects Licensure Board 14 meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my 15 supervision, and that the minutes accurately 16 summarize the substance of the State Architects 17 Licensure Board meeting. 18 19 20 21 Derek Richmond, 22 Minute Clerk 23 Sargent's Court Reporting 24 Service, Inc. 25

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STATE ARCHITECTS LICENSURE BOARD REFERENCE INDEX

July 13, 2023

7	TIME	AGENDA
8 9 10	9:30 10:30	Executive Session Return to Open Session
11 12 13	10:37	Official Call to Order
14 15	10:37	Roll Call/Introduction of Attendees
16 17	10:39	Approval of Minutes
18 19	10:41	Report of Prosecutorial Division
20 21	10:41	Report of Board Counsel
22 23 24	10:43	Miscellaneous - Appointment - Michael McDonald
25 26 27	10:46	Miscellaneous - Appointment - AIA Pennsylvania Update
28 29	10:52	Report of Board President
30 31 32	11:01 11:36	Formal Hearing - Robert Fryer
33 34 35 36	11:38	Miscellaneous - Appointment - Pennsylvania Insurance Department Presentation
37 38	11:41	Applications
39 40 41	11:45 11:55	Executive Session Return to Open Session
42 43	11 : 55	Report of Board Administrator
44 45 46	12:04	Adjournment