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Professional Foresters Examining Committee Meeting Minutes

Held: February 26, 2024

OPEN SESSION MINUTES**Members Present:**

- Frank Mulhair, Chair
- Dan Sendek
- James Hawkins
- Danielle Lindler
- Larry Forero
- Jason Poburko
- Bill Snyder
- Christian Eggleton

Staff Participating:

- Dan Stapleton, Assistant Executive Officer, Licensing
- Deniele Casarubbia, Staff Services Analyst, Licensing
- Robert "Bob" Roth, Attorney

Call to Order**Report of the Executive Officer Foresters Licensing**

E.O Stapleton revealed that the Senate Natural Resources Committee is working on changes in statute to create an Apprentice Professional Forester license. EO Stapleton sent them the information to incorporate increases in the statutory fee limits under PRC 782.

Review of Draft January 2024 PFEC Open Session Meeting Minutes

Robert Roth needs to be added to the staff line along with Y.G. Gentry.

Member Poburko moves to approve the January meeting minutes with corrections. Member Hawkins seconds the motion.

Roll Call:

Dan Sendek	Aye
James Hawkins	Aye

Danielle Lindler	Aye
Larry Forero	Aye
Jason Poburko	Aye
Bill Snyder	Abstain
Christian Eggleton	Aye
Frank Mulhair, Chair	Aye

The motion passes with one abstention.

Discussion of Applicant Exam Preparation PFEC Priority #1

The committee completed review of proposed regulations for the Apprentice Professional Forester Educational Program.

The committee also reviewed the ISOR that E.O. Stapleton developed for the Apprentice Forester Educational Program. The EO will submit the proposal to the regulations coordinator for review prior to presentation to the Board.

Discussion of Qualifying Work Experience PFEC Priority #5

The committee continued the discussion to include arboriculture as qualifying work experience with limitations.

The committee discussed other changes to the language regarding qualifying forestry work experience.

Public Forum

There were no comments from the public.

**Adjourn to Closed Session
Reconvene from Closed Session**

Report on Closed Session Items

During closed session, the Committee approved the January meeting minutes. They also approved the candidate list for the RPF exam, as well as the CRM exam.

The committee also reviewed case 347 and found the RPF had committed professional failures of misrepresentation and material misstatement of fact by not identifying significant archaeological sites and watercourses on an exemption. At this time a stipulated settlement agreement with the RPF will be proposed.

Meeting Adjourned