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Soil Classifiers Certification Advisory Committee (SCCAC)

Minutes of the 45th Meeting Two Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, GA 30303 Tuesday, May 6, 2008

Call to order 9:33 A.M.

Presiding: David Huff, Chairman

Members present: David Huff, Chair; Sam Asady, Vice-Chair; Greg Harless, Secretary; Lisa Flagg, DHR Attorney; Larry Morris, UGA; Tim Kring, Soil Classifier; Mike Pitts, Paulding County Environmental Health County Manager.

- The first order of business: the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting of the SCCAC held Tuesday, February 5, 2008.

Motion to approve: Tim Kring

Second: Sam Asady

→ Motion carried unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

- Nicholas Reed, SCIT – Request for Certification

Request **TABLED**. Previously requested syllabus of the content of the UT Plant and Soil Sciences course titled "310 "Soil Science" to indicate intensity of content of soil classification, morphology, genesis and mapping not provided. Mr. Reed is required to acquire a minimum of 3-credit hours of study in soil classification, morphology and taxonomy (pedology).

- Lennox Massay (post script) – Greg Harless informed the Committee that in the wake of the revocation of his certification, Mr. Massay surrendered the official stamp by return parcel post.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Stephen D. Jones – SCIT candidate**

Mr. Jones has completed a total of five years training including time concurrent with education. Application **TABLED** contingent upon the following: *Must sit for the ARCPACS exam.*

- **Ben Wilson Harris, II -- Certification candidate**

Mr. Harris' application **TABLED** contingent upon the following:

1. Provide the final (4th) professional reference
2. Submit a signed and notarized copy of the Professional Code of Conduct
3. Forward to the Committee five (5) examples of classification and mapping in adherence to the Georgia Level III and IV Standards format.

David Huff opened discussion of proposed changes to the Professional Geologist (P.G.) registration application form. He proposed to include a statement mirroring the statement of expertise in soils mapping for the on-site sewage program as written in Item 6. of the P.E. application.

Motion to recommend amending the application as proposed: Tim Kring
Second: Larry Morris

→ *Motion carried unanimously*

Larry Morris informed the Committee that UGA has located field exam sites in the Piedmont at UGA's Hardman Forest and plans to provide additional sites in the Coastal region at the UGA Warnell Center. A Ridge and Valley site is yet to be determined.

In the matter of proposed payment for services to two Committee members who will standardize the current field exam sites:

Motion to recommend to the Department to provide reimbursement: Larry Morris
Second: Mike Pitts

→ *Motion carried unanimously*

Greg Harless informed the Committee of a forthcoming agreement between DHR and the Soil Science Society of Georgia (SSSGA) to provide interim Level II Inspector Soils Training for Districts needing to fast-track an EHS into the field.

FUTURE BUSINESS

- Tentative date for the next meeting – Tuesday, May August 19, 2008

Meeting Adjourned