



Soil Classifiers Certification Advisory Committee  
(SCCAC)  
Minutes of the 52nd Meeting  
Two Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, GA 30303  
Thursday, March 4, 2010

Call to order.

Presiding: David Huff, Chairman

Members present: David Huff, Chair; Greg Harless, Secretary; Vaughn Berkheiser; David Radcliffe (via telephone); Lisa Flagg; Larry Morris; and Mike Pitts (via telephone); Dwain Butler (via telephone). A quorum was achieved.

Guest: Thomas Martin, P.E.

- The first order of business: the reading of the non-quorum notes of the attenuated meeting of November 12, 2009 and the minutes of the previous meeting held August 13, 2009.

Motion to approve: Larry Morris  
Second: Vaughn Berkheiser

→ Motion carried unanimously

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OLD BUSINESS

- Todd Miller, SCIT – Request for Certification

Revised training mapping and report examples, per previous review requirement, provided with appropriate revisions provided by applicant. Additionally, practical field exam provided for current review this meeting.

Motion to Accept Field Exam: Larry Morris

Second: Vaughn Berkheiser

Discussion: Deemed a good field exam indicating expertise with only slight deficiencies.

→ Motion carried: 6-yea; 2-absentions

Motion to grant Certification: Greg Harless

Second: Larry Morris

Discussion: Revised training mapping and report example corrections and additions deemed acceptable

→ Motion carried unanimously

## Old Business – continued

- **Tom Vanderboom, SCIT – Request for Certification**

Previous request status pending due to questions concerning incomplete four (4) years training. Practical field exam provided for current meeting. Additionally, South Carolina professional certification evidence provided.

Motion to Accept Field Exam: Larry Morris

Second: Lisa Flagg

Discussion: Field exam exhibits expertise and knowledge of the minimum standards with one deficiency: road bed feature omitted from map.

—→ *Motion carried unanimously*

Motion to grant Certification: Larry Morris

Second: Lisa Flagg

Discussion: Consensus final approval contingent upon submission of revised field exam map with inclusion of the road bed feature.

—→ *Motion carried unanimously*

- **Secretary Harless** re-opened discussion concerning election of a replacement Vice-Chair in the absence of recently departed member Sam Asady. It was noted that the By-Laws stipulated election of officers for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter meeting only. Possible By-Law modifications designated for discussion under New Business.

## NEW BUSINESS

- **Christopher Reagan, SCIT – Certification Request**

Motion to Grant Certification: Vaughn Berkheiser

Second: Greg Harless

Discussion: Chris has completed four (4) – years in training and his practical field exam was previously approved August 13, 2009

—→ *Motion carried unanimously*

- **Joseph Morris, SCIT – Certification Request**

Motion to TABLE: Larry Morris

Second: Vaughn Berkheiser

Discussion: SCIT mapping examples must be resubmitted in a larger more legible scale as a hand drawn map. Additionally, the all fill mapped site does not qualify in detail as a Level III study.

—→ *Motion carried unanimously*

## New Business – continued

- Thomas Martin, P.E. – nominee as new Committee member

Committee recommends that the Department should ask the DCH Commissioner appoint Mr. Martin to replace the vacancy left by the departure of Sam Asady, P.E.

- Proposed By-Laws revisions

Article I, Section 2 Offices – Amend “Department of Human Resources” to “Department of Community Health”.

Article III, Section 1 “Membership” – Amend “...10 members...” to “...9 members...”

Article IV, add Section 4.2 “Officer Replacement” – “Permit filling any officer vacancies, as deemed appropriate by the Committee, which occur outside the regularly scheduled 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter meetings”.

Article V, Section 7 “Exam Schedule” – Delete Section

Article V, Section 8 “Board Seal” – Amend section title to “Committee Seal”; delete statement “This seal will also be used on the Committee’s letterhead”.

(Section numbers sequence to be adjusted accordingly)

Motion to adopt proposed amendments, additions or deletions to Article I, Sec. 2; Article III, Sec. 1; Article IV, Sec. 4.2; Article V, Sec. 7; Article V, Sec. 8: Greg Harless

Second: Lisa Flagg

—→ Motion carried unanimously

- **David Huff** presented a proposed letter addressed to the Georgia Secretary of State’s P.G. Licensing Board requesting the he and the Greg Harless attend a near-future P.G. Board meeting for discussion of a possible cooperative agreement regarding P.G. complaints and DCH de-listing. Consensus to ask permission to add the Environmental Health Branch Director’s name to the letter of request. It was determined to delay requesting meeting with the P.G. Board until their second bi-annual meeting.

## FUTURE BUSINESS

- Tentative date for the next meeting – Thursday, May 27, 2010

Motion to Adjourn: Greg Harless

Second: Larry Morris

—→ Motion carried unanimously

## Meeting Adjourned