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**Maryland Board of Architects**  
**Business Meeting Minutes**

DATE: October 26, 2022

TIME: 11:00 AM

LOCATION: 1100 North Eutaw Street  
5th Floor Conference Room  
Baltimore, MD 21201

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Edmeades, Chair  
Cynthia Shonaiya, Vice Chair  
Stephanie Hopkins, Consumer Member  
Mark Flemming, Architect  
Gary Ey, Consumer Member  
Kevin Sneed, Architect  
Douglas Polt, Architect

STAFF PRESENT: Zevi Thomas, Executive Director  
Kenneth Sigman, Board Counsel  
Noraida Lozano, Board Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT: Calvin McCargo, Architect, Morgan State's IPAL Coordinator  
Alberto Gutierrez, Architect  
Adrienne Jones, Architect  
Frank Miles, Architect

**Call to Order**

Paul Edmeades, Chair, called the Business Meeting of the Maryland Board of Architects to order, held at 1100 North Eutaw Street, 5th Floor Conference Room Baltimore, MD 21201 at 11:00 am.

**Approval of Minutes**

The members reviewed the minutes of the Business Meeting held on September 28, 2022. Motion (I) was made by Ms. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Flemming, and unanimously carried out by the Board to approve the minutes with corrections.

## **Complaint Committee Report**

Mr. Ey presented the following report on behalf of the Complaint Committee:

03-AR-21 – Awaiting the official outcome of the trial

10-AR-21 – Closed as of 10/26/2022

Motion (II) was made by Mr. Polt, seconded by Ms. Hopkins, and carried by the Board to accept the Complaint Committee Report.

Prior to the review of applications, Chair Edmeades acknowledged the presence of Mr. Calvin McCargo Jr. who introduced himself as a Licensed Architect in MD, IPAL Coordinator at Morgan State’s School of Architecture + Planning.

## **Review of Applications**

### **Applications for Architectural Registration Exam (A. R. E.)**

Chair Edmeades presented the report for the Applicants for Architectural Registration Exam (A.R.E.)

There were **nine (9)** A.R.E. applications administratively approved:

**HASLUP, COLLIN**

**MUIR, RYAN**

**JAIN, JINESH**

**MURRAY, DOMINIQUE**

**KIDWELL, MCKENZIE**

**TOWNSEND, DEAN**

**LEO, JONATHAN**

**WALLER, JOHN**

**MAYO, JANAE**

There were **six (6)** A.R.E applications approved by the Board:

**LEE, JOON**

**SMIZER, RICHARD**

**MOYER, JOSEPH**

**THOMAS, JILL**

**ROBINSON, GINA**

**WHALEY, LEE**

### **Applications for Reciprocity**

The Board agreed to withhold **two (2)** reciprocal applications from Colorado and Wisconsin, as they need to submit ERC forms and additional information to verify their work experience hours.

Motion (III) was made by Ms. Shonaiya, seconded by Mr. Polt and unanimously carried out to approve **fifteen (15)** A.R.E. applications, with **two (2)** pending reciprocities.

## **Old Business**

### **Integrated Path for Architectural Licensure (IPAL)**

According to Mr. McCargo Morgan State School of Architecture has established the Integrated Path for Architectural Licensure (IPAL) to help increase the number of architects of color specifically Black / African-American architects.

He said that part of the requirements is an internship, satisfying the AXP, and passing the exams. He briefly explained the details of how a student can complete their AXP while part of the IPAL program.

He stated that depending on the number of partner firms available there will be 3 candidates and a maximum of 5 who can participate in the program. Criteria to get in will be at least 3.0 or better, requires a recommendation from their professors, and must be committed to the 3 plus 2 programs.

Chair Edmeades told Mr. McCargo that after discussing it with the Board Counsel and it was determined that in the MD regulations they can accept an IPAL candidate to take ARE in MD.

Chair Edmeades agreed to Ms. Shonaiya's suggestion to have a defined qualification process for IPAL candidates in the regulation for the benefit of future ARE candidates.

## **Sunset**

Mr. Thomas reiterated that the Sunset report was already submitted to the Secretary's Office and is awaiting the legislative Session in January 2023.

### **Revision of ARE Application**

Counsel Sigman presented to the Board suggested changes to the current ARE application. Chair Edmeades requested that Counsel Sigman finalized a copy for the next meeting's discussion to which Mr. Sigman agreed.

## **Committee Report**

A draft was submitted by Ms. Hopkins and Mr. Polt which will be discussed at the next meeting.

## **New Business - None**

## **Correspondence – None**

