

MINUTES  
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIOR DESIGN

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

November 16, 2015  
2:00 p.m. Eastern Time

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**Call to Order**

Mr. Rodriguez, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m. and a quorum was established.

Board Members Present:

John Ehrig  
Miguel Rodriguez, Chair  
Francisco "Frank" Costoya, Jr.  
Jonathan R. Toppe  
Aida Bao-Garciga  
Ivette O'Doski

Board Members Absent:

Hector Fernandez, excused  
Kenan Fishburne, excused  
Dylan Rivers, excused  
James Blanz, excused

Others Present:

Mary Ellen Clark, Board Counsel  
David Minacci, Prosecuting Attorney  
Thomas Campbell, Executive Director  
Terri McEwen, Government Analyst  
Vicki Long, AIA Florida  
Becky Wilson, AIA Florida  
Ty Jackson, Gray Robinson  
Cynthia David, IDAF  
Meryl Towarnicki

**Application Review**

Meryl Towarnicki – State Endorsement

Ms. Towarnicki was present. Ms. Towarnicki applied for licensure under Section 481.213(3)(b), Florida Statutes. Ms. Towarnicki was licensed in Pennsylvania in 2011, took and passed the Architecture Registration Examination, completed NCARB IDP, and graduated from Spring

Garden College with a five year professional degree in architecture. In 2011, Florida Statutes allowed for review and approval of non-NAAB accredited schools of architecture as outlined in Rule 61G1-13.003, Florida Administrative Code. The board's consultant reviewed the curriculum and determined that Spring Garden College met the education requirements. After review and discussion the board made the following motion.

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved that the board approve Ms. Towarnicki for licensure by state endorsement.

Second: Ms. Bao-Garciga seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **General Business**

#### Review and Approval of the Smith, Thompson, Shaw, Minacci & Colon Contract Amendment #3

After review and discussion the following motion was made.

Motion: Mr. Costoya moved that the board authorize Mr. Rodriguez, Chair, to sign the contract amendment.

Second: Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### Proposed Changes to Rule 61G15-35.004, Common Requirements to All Engineers Providing Threshold Building Inspections Services as Special Inspectors, Florida Administrative Code

AIA Florida reported that they would not request a hearing on the proposed rule changes. The board discussed that the rule was an engineer issue not an architect issue.

### **New Business**

No new business.

### **Old Business**

No old business.

### **Adjourn**

Motion: Mr. Ehrig moved to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Mr. Costoya seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.