



## **MEETING MINUTES PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMITTEE**

October 30, 2020

Teleconference Meeting

### **A. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Committee Chair Pasqual Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

Vice Chair Tian Feng called the roll.

Six members of the Committee constitute a quorum; there being ten members present at the time of roll, a quorum was established.

#### **Committee Members Present**

Pasqual Gutierrez, Chair  
Tian Feng, Vice Chair  
Raymond Cheng  
Betsey Dougherty  
Glenn Gall  
Malcolm "Brett" Gladstone  
Kirk Miller  
Steve Sands  
Stephanie Silkwood  
Charles "Sonny" Ward III

#### **Committee Members Absent**

No member of the Committee was absent during the meeting.

#### **Members of the Public Present**

Mark Christian, Director of Government Relations, The American Institute of Architects, California (AIA California)  
William (Bill) Leddy, Vice President of Climate Action (AIA California) + Chair of Committee on the Environment

#### **Staff Present**

Laura Zuniga, Executive Officer (EO)

Marccus Reinhardt, Licensing Manager  
Darren Dumas, Senior Examination + Licensing Analyst  
Rikki Parks, California Supplemental Examination Analyst  
Jesse Bruinsma, Continuing Education Analyst

## **B. CHAIR'S PROCEDURAL REMARKS AND COMMITTEE MEMBER INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Chair Gutierrez asked each member to advise whether anyone from the public was in attendance from their respective location and then advised members of the teleconference voting requirements. He requested staff in attendance to provide introductions for the record.

## **C. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

No public comments.

## **E. \*PRESENTATION BY THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS CALIFORNIA (AIA) ON A PROPOSED CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT ON CLIMATE ACTION/DECARBINIZATION – BILL LEDDY, FAIA**

Bill Leddy provided Committee members with a presentation regarding the AIA proposal for continuing education (CE) on Zero Net Carbon (ZNC) design that was previously made to the Board at its September 18, 2020. In his presentation, Mr. Leddy advised the Committee that AIA California is pursuing 2021 legislation to require architects complete five hours CE in ZNC design as a condition of biennial license renewal, beginning with the 2023 renewal cycle.

Mr. Leddy highlighted for members the global scope and impact of climate change upon architectural design and the built environment. He emphasized the urgency and importance of decarbonization in the architectural industry as not only critical for environmental improvement on state and national levels, but also as a model on an international level.

The Committee discussed the proposal in the context of its related strategic plan objective. Members concurred with the urgency and importance of effective action made to reduce the climate impact. The consensus of members is to support the proposal as part of a broader approach to evolve the Board's CE requirements.

- **Betsey Dougherty moved to recommend the Board supporting the AIA proposal within the context of the strategic plan objective assigned to the Committee.**

**Kirk Miller seconded the motion.**

**Members Cheng, Dougherty, Feng, Gall, Gladstone, Miller, Sands, Silkwood, Ward, and Chair Gutierrez voted in favor of the motion.**

**THE MOTION PASSED 10-0.**

**D. \*REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON JANUARY 23, 2020 MEETING MINUTES**

- **Glenn Gall moved to approve the January 23, 2020 meeting minutes.**

**Raymond Cheng seconded the motion.**

**Members Cheng, Dougherty, Feng, Gall, Miller, Sands, Silkwood, Ward, and Chair Gutierrez voted in favor of the motion. Member Gladstone abstained.**

**The motion passed 9-0-1.**

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.