

**Minutes of the State of Nevada
Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists Meeting
(REHS)
February 13, 2013**

Location: Washoe County District Health Department
1001 East 9th Street. Building B, South Auditorium
Reno, Nevada 89512
Wednesday, February 13, 2013
11:00 am

REHS Quorum Present: Tony Macaluso, REHS, Secretary
Richard Elloyan, REHS, Member
Larry Law, REHS, Member
Dale Warren, FMP, Member

REHS Absent: Drew Skeen, FMP, Member

Other Attendees: Jim Pierce

- 1.* Call to Order – John Kukulica, Chair.**
Secretary Tony Macaluso called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.
- 2.* Roll Call/Quorum – Tony Macaluso, Secretary.**
Secretary Macaluso called roll as indicated by the “REHS Quorum Present and REHS Absent” as listed above. A quorum was present and the meeting had been duly noticed.
- 3.* Public Comment: Please note that no action may be taken on any matter raised during the public comment period, unless such matter itself has been specifically listed above as an action item. Public comment is limited to two minutes per person.**
No comments.
- 4. * Approval of Minutes from the November 14, 2012 Board Meeting.**
Member Law motioned and Member Elloyan seconded the motion to approve the November 14, 2013 meeting minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5.* Closed session pursuant to 241.030(1) to review recent applications for registration, testing or reciprocity of the following pending applications for registration:** There was no discussion during closed session.
- 6. * Discussion and possible action regarding applications submitted under Closed Session.** Member Elloyan discussed the process or reapplying for REHS status and resubmitting finger prints. Secretary Macaluso discussed retirement

status vs. leaving and returning to work. If a member retired and request to work again they would need to comply with CEU requirements. Member Warren asked for clarification of applying for reciprocity, Member Law advised that if an applicant has taken the national exam and meet all the REHS requirements they can apply for reciprocity and do not have to retake the exam. Member Elloyan motioned and Member Law seconded the motion to accept and approve applicant Cronkhite as a REHS, applicant Elliot as a REHS, and applicant Ure as a REHST, applicant Muth as REHST, applicant Cohen as REHST, applicant Guzman as REHST, applicant Peterson as REHST, applicant Billings as REHST, applicant Anderson as REHST, applicant Martinez-Hermosilla as REHST, applicant Franchino as REHST, applicant Goodsell as REHST, applicant Tesiorna as REHST, applicant Diaz as REHST, applicant Penska as REHST, and applicant Rainville as REHST the motions carried unanimously.

- 7.* **Discussion and possible action regarding office space for the Nevada Registered Environmental Health Specialists Board.** Recording Secretary Kris Schamaun stated the files are currently housed in a locked filing cabinet at the Southern Nevada Health District. The files are only accessible by Kris and a key will be provided to Member Law. Mail is taken to SNHD for secure opening and keeping. Member Law stated it would not be likely to have space at SNHD due to limited hours of accessibility. Member Elloyan asked then if the board would need to rent office space, Kris stated most likely as there is not a place otherwise to work from. Member Elloyan stated the board will need to do research regarding renting a space and signing a lease. Secretary Macaluso stated the office has always been in a state facility or Ellis Island. Kris stated the board will need to determine if we will store the empty cabinets or purchase new ones at a later date. Member Law stated SNHD had previously stated they do not have space for a work area. Member Elloyan stated we will need to see if someone in industry would be able to provide space or do research as to where the board would be able to obtain office space. Member Warren asked if there is a budget to rent space. Secretary Macaluso stated it would be better to get free space since there is limited work that is done. Member Law stated we need to have a secure facility for our files that no one other than board members has access to. Member Warren stated he will do some research regarding lease rates and requirements for office space in Las Vegas. It will need to be determined if board members can legally sign a lease. Secretary Macaluso stated we may need to speak with Henna.
8. * **Discussion and possible action regarding the request for Exemption of the CEU requirements for annual renewal for Timothy Ripp.** Mr. Ripp was an EHS and is now in the IT department at Southern Nevada Health District. He would like to maintain his EHS status however, does not have the required CEU's. Secretary Macaluso stated there is a one-time exemption that can be granted. If Mr. Ripp would like to work again as an EHS he would need to provide the required CEU's. Secretary Macaluso motioned to allow a one-time exemption; Member Law seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.
9. * **Discussion and possible action regarding the selection of a replacement for Board Member Dorsey.** Secretary Macaluso stated the Governor has

already replaced Member Dorsey. The board will need to select a new Chairman at the next REHS meeting. Member Elloyan asked if the board has any requirement that a member of the board have anything to do in food service, Secretary Macaluso stated no, only the requirement is the three members from the three jurisdictions. Election of the new Chairman will be placed on the next agenda.

10.* Secretary's Report (for possible action) – Tony Macaluso. The board currently has a balance of \$33,528.61. There are 41 REHS member to renew, of the 27 have not sent in any documents and 14 need to provide CEU's. Recording Secretary Schamaun stated she will be sending out letters to the outstanding members that they need to submit their documents by the February 28 deadline. Member Elloyan stated he has not received any notifications of employees that have not renewed, Ms. Schamaun stated the employee is notified and it would be up to the employer to check with the employee of their renewal status.

11.* Public Comment: Please note that no action may be taken on any matter raised during the public comment period, unless such matter itself has been specifically listed above as an action item. Public comment is limited to two minutes per person.
No comments.

12.* Set Next Meeting date and location.
Secretary Macaluso motioned and Member Law seconded to set the next meeting for May 15, 2013 in Las Vegas at 10:00 am location to be determined. The motion carried unanimously.

13.* Adjourn
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Schamaun, Recording Secretary