Minutes of the State of Nevada **Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists Meeting** (REHS)

May 12, 2014

Location: **Southern Nevada Health District**

330 S. Valley View Blvd., EH Conference Room 2

Las Vegas, Nevada 89107 Monday May 12, 2014

10:00 am

REHS Quorum Present: Tony Macaluso, REHS, Chairman

Larry Law, REHS, Secretary Bob Stulac, REHS, Member Drew Skeen, FMP, Member

REHS Absent: None

Other Attendees: Kris Schamaun, Recording Secretary, Jamie Council

1.* Call to Order - Tony Macaluso, Chairman.

Chairman Tony Macaluso called the meeting to order at 9:58 am.

2.* Roll Call/Quorum - Tony Macaluso, Chairman.

> Chairman 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 13, 2013 and the February 10, 2014 Board Meeting. Member Skeen motioned and Member Stulac seconded the motion to approve the November 13, 2013 and the February 10, 2014 meeting minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5. * Discussion and possible action regarding Daniel Burns request to change status from REHS Trainee to an REHS based on reciprocity. Secretary Larry Law states Mr. Burns has submitted his paper work to NEHA and they have granted him REHS status, he will need to request reciprocity with the board. Chairman Macaluso stated he has requested REHS status via reciprocity. Secretary Law motioned to grant reciprocity to Daniel Burns and member Stulac seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.

- 6.* Discussion and possible action regarding the request for Exemption of the CEU requirements for annual renewal for Mitchell Semer. Mitchell Semer has retired and sent in a request for a one time exemption of the CEU requirements. Member Stulac motioned to approve the exemption request for Mitchell Semer for the annual CEU requirements and Secretary Law seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.
- 7.* Closed session pursuant to 241.030(1) to review recent applications for registration, testing or reciprocity of the following pending applications for registration: Ms. Council was in attendance however, did not remain in the room for the review of her application.
- 8. * Discussion and possible action regarding applications submitted under Closed Session. Ms. Council discussed her work and military history and experience with the board. Chairman Macaluso stated you need to have a Bachelor's degree and Ms. Council has an Associate's Degree or you can pass the national exam and use the 2 years in the military as experience. Chairman Macaluso asked if Ms. Council has applied to National to take the exam. Ms Council stated National advised her to contact the board due to Nevada having the stipulation to use military experience in place of the Bachelor's degree requirement. Member Stulac asked if Ms. Council is pursuing her Bachelor's degree. Ms. Council stated he is planning to continue her education. The board discussed the regulations. Chairman Macaluso stated Ms. Council cannot apply as a trainee however she can use the military experience and pass the exam for REHS status. Chairman Macaluso has discussed in the past with Henna Rasul at the Attorney General's office the different ways to obtain REHS status. The board discussed the regulations and various ways to obtain REHS status. Secretary Law states that according to the regulations using the military experience and allowing Ms. Council to take the exam will allow her to obtain REHS status. Member Stulac stated the board can allow Ms. Council to take the exam. Member Stulac stated Ms. Council will only be registered with Nevada not national. Chairman Macaluso stated there is nothing to approve, just request the exam on Ms. Council's behalf. Upon passing of the exam Ms. Council's REHS card and certificate can be issued. Secretary Law motioned to table Jamie Council's request for REHS, member Stulac seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Secretary Law motioned and Member Stulac seconded the motion to accept and approve applicant Jacqueline Reszetar as REHST and applicant Latricia Lord as REHS the motions carried unanimously.
- 9.* Discussion and possible action regarding Open Meeting Law Bob Stulac. Member Stulac attended training regarding the Open Meeting Law and Records Management. Member Stulac discussed the highlights of the training and supplied the board with some handouts. It is required that the head of each board to designate one or more employees to act as a records official. This is usually not someone on the board. Member Stulac asked if we get a lot of record requests, it is not often that the board gets a request. Recording Secretary Schamaun will act as the records official. A response to a request must be within five days. Some of the highlights of the training are boards have the right to

correct wrong actions, the board has 30 days to cure of alleged violations, the board cannot take action without a quorum, all public bodies must post public notices on the state's official website, and if less than a quorum, members may discuss public business, it is not a violation.

- 10.* Secretary's Report (for possible action) Larry Law. The account balance not including May 12 travel expenses is \$40,777.20. Member Stulac asked about fees, what the board spends money on, etc. Secretary Law stated one thing the board has not been doing is charging the board for the per diem that is allowed. The board just purchased a new computer. The board is charged when we seek assistance from the Attorney General's office. The board discussed increasing the Recording Secretary's salary, this item can be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- 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. There were no public comments.

12* Set Next Meeting date and location.

Secretary Law motioned and Member Stulac seconded to set the next meeting for August 13, 2014 at 10:00 am in Las Vegas, NV at the Southern Nevada Health District, room to be determined. The motion carried unanimously.

12.* Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kris Schamaun, Recording Secretary