

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
CONDUCTED BY  
CONTRACTORS' STATE LICENSE BOARD  
OF CALIFORNIA

Held at  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
APRIL 28 and 29, 1939

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The regular quarterly meeting of the Contractors' State License Board was called to order by Chairman Roy M. Butcher at 10:00 A.M., Friday, April 28, 1939, at San Francisco, California.

The roll was called and the following were present:

Roy M. Butcher, Chairman  
Clarence B. Eaton, Member  
S. G. Johnson, Member  
Hugh W. McNulty, Member  
William Nies, Member  
Walter Trepte, Member  
Arthur Alber, Executive Secretary.

Absent:

Stephen L. Ford, Vice Chairman.

Also present were:

Glen V. Slater, Assistant Registrar  
Allen Miller.

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It was moved by Mr. William Nies and seconded by Mr. Walter Trepte that the minutes of the meeting of the Board, held in Sacramento, California, on January 6 and 7, 1939, be approved as written. Unanimously carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Hugh McNulty and seconded by Mr. William Nies that the minutes of the special meeting of

the Board, held in Sacramento, California, on February 10 and 11, 1939, be approved as written. Unanimously carried.

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Chairman Butcher then announced that Colonel William H. Evans, representing an organization known as the Building Contractors' Association of Southern California, had requested that he might appear before the Board, and at this time Col. Evans was introduced. He spoke at length regarding the enforcement of the Contractors' License Law and expressed his opinions relative to the necessity of prequalifying and examining prospective contractors.

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Recess was called by Chairman Butcher at 12:30 P.M. to reconvene at 2:30 P.M.

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AFTERNOON SESSION  
2:30 P.M.

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The afternoon session of the Contractors' State License Board was called to order by Chairman Roy M. Butcher at 2:30 P.M., April 28, 1939, at San Francisco, California.

The roll was called and the following were present:

Roy M. Butcher, Chairman  
Clarence B. Eaton, Member  
S. G. Johnson, Member  
Hugh W. McNulty, Member  
William Nies, Member  
Walter Trepte, Member  
Arthur Alber, Executive Secretary.

Absent:

Stephen L. Ford, Vice Chairman.

Also present were:

Glen V. Slater, Assistant Registrar  
Allen Miller.

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Mr. William H. George, President of the State Builders' Exchange, had requested that he and the Legislative Committee of his organization be given an opportunity to appear before the Board to discuss the problems confronting the enforcement of the Contractors' License Law, and said appointment having been set for 2:30 P.M. Friday, April 28, Chairman Butcher introduced Mr. George and the members of his Committee, Messrs. Charles W. Pettifer of Long Beach, Sam Cohn of San Francisco, Harry Cayford of Fresno, and P. M. Sanford of Richmond, California.

Thereafter a lengthy discussion was had between said Committee and the Board.

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Mr. Fred A. Taylor, Assistant Director of the Department, was present and gave a financial report of the Department from its inception to the present date.

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Arthur Alber, Registrar of Contractors, gave a report relative to his activities since the preceding meeting and same was accepted and ordered filed.

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At 5:20 P.M. Chairman Butcher announced that the Board would go into an executive session immediately, which session adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 1939  
9:45 A.M.

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The regular meeting of the Contractors' State License Board was called to order by Chairman Roy M. Butcher at 9:45 A.M., Saturday, April 29, 1939, at San Francisco, California, to take up unfinished business.

The roll was called and the following were present:

Roy M. Butcher, Chairman  
Clarence B. Eaton, Member  
S. G. Johnson, Member  
Hugh W. McNulty, Member  
William Nies, Member  
Walter Trepte, Member  
Arthur Alber, Executive Secretary.

Absent:

Stephen L. Ford, Vice Chairman.

Also present were:

Glen V. Slater, Assistant Registrar  
Allen Miller.

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Secretary Alber presented the petition of Elmer Brousseau, dba Capital Construction Company, requesting that the decision heretofore rendered by the Registrar revoking the license of said Elmer Brousseau be reversed.

After some discussion motion was made by Mr. Eaton and seconded by Mr. Nies that the Board instruct the Registrar to reverse this decision and to reinstate Elmer Brousseau forthwith. Unanimously carried.

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A round table discussion was held regarding proposed cut in the budget.

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Mr. L. F. Erb, Deputy Registrar, appeared before the Board and made a report concerning the status of bills pending before the Legislature at Sacramento which tend to affect the Contractors' License Law. A detailed discussion of the bills followed.

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The Secretary read a telegram received from Colonel William H. Evans, who had spoken the previous day, and the Chairman directed the Secretary to have copies of the telegram made and delivered to each Board member. Said telegram was referred to the Rules and Regulations Committee, S. G. Johnson, Chairman.

Chairman Butcher also instructed the Secretary to make copies of letters presented to the Board by Mr. William George, President of the State Builders Exchange, and that these copies be mailed to the Board members. These letters also were referred to the Rules and Regulations Committee.

Chairman Butcher also directed the Registrar to confer with the Deputy Registrars relative to plans made relative to enforcement of the Law in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, and also the matters referred to in the letters filed with the Board by Mr. George.

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At this time Chairman Roy M. Butcher presented the

minutes of the Executive Session, held Friday, April 28, 1939, at 5:20 P.M., reading as follows:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon the order of Chairman Roy M. Butcher, an executive meeting was called to order at 5:20 P.M., April 28, 1939:

Members present were:

Roy M. Butcher, Chairman  
Clarence B. Eaton  
S. G. Johnson  
Hugh W. McNulty  
William Nies  
Walter Trepte

William Nies, chairman of the Personnel Committee, was called on for his report, and thereupon submitted the resignation of Mr. Arthur Alber, as Registrar of Contractors, to take effect at the close of the working day May 15, 1939.

After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made and seconded that the resignation of Mr. Alber be accepted with regrets and that a proper resolution be drawn in appreciation of his services rendered. The motion was carried.

Mr. Nies then presented the application of Mr. Allen Miller for appointment to the position of Registrar of Contractors. At the request of the chairman, it was stated that there were no other applications filed for the position.

After due consideration the following motion was made and seconded:

That Mr. Allen Miller be appointed to the position of Registrar of Contractors as of May 15, 1939 at a salary of \$400.00 per

month. The foregoing appointment being subject to the approval of the Director of the Department of Professional and Vocational Standards.

The motion was carried.

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The Executive meeting of the Contractors' State License Board adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

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CHAIRMAN  
CONTRACTORS' STATE LICENSE  
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Motion was made and seconded that the minutes as above set forth be approved. Unanimously carried.

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Mr. Arthur Alber was called into the meeting and was presented the resolution drawn up by the Board expressing their appreciation of his efficient and loyal services rendered to the Board, reading as follows:

"WHEREAS Mr. Arthur Alber has resigned as Registrar of Contractors and Executive Secretary of the Contractors' State License Board; and

"WHEREAS Mr. Alber during his time of service has evidenced a broad and intelligent interpretation of the Contractors' License Law, and has executed the most able and efficient enforcement possible within the province of the Act;

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Contractors' State License Board, in open meeting this 29th day of April, 1939, extend to Mr. Alber

its deep and sincere appreciation of the services he has so efficiently and loyally rendered; and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the sincere wish of the members of the Board that he shall continue to enjoy success and much happiness."


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At this time Mr. Allen Miller was notified of the Board's acceptance of his application for the position of Registrar of Contractors, subject to the approval of the Director of the Department of Professional and Vocational Standards, to take effect May 16, 1939.

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There being no further business, motion was made and seconded that the meeting adjourn, to reconvene at the call of the chair. Unanimously carried.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Contractors' State License Board adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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