

**BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIVE & SECURITY SERVICES**

Secretary of State, Office of Professional Regulation

National Life Building, North, Floor 2, Montpelier, VT 05620-3402

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

**Meeting of March 20, 2009**

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M.

Members present: Robert Edwards, Chair; James Eckhardt, Vice - Chair; Emma Pudvah and Stacey Nelson, Public members

Members absent: Michael Jennings

OPR Personnel: Patty Skinner, Administrative Assistant

Others present: Michael Toomey and Alan Rogers

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ms. Pudvah made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nelson, to approve the minutes as read.

3. **Reports**

- a. It was reported that we currently have eleven (09) open cases.

4. **Hearings/Stipulations/Reports of Concluded Investigations**

5. **Legislation/Rulemaking**

- a. The Board will meet with Kevin Leahy, Board Counsel, to review the necessary statute changes that need to be changed.

6. **Applications for Licensure**

- a. Defense Investigators Group – Request for approval of 40 hour Basic Training Course. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nelson, to have Mr. Rogers prepare a more extensive resume and add the Vermont specific training to his training manual. Motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Daniel Baillargeon – Unarmed security guard with US Security Associates. Based on the lack of information provided, Ms. Pudvah made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nelson to pre-deny Mr. Baillargeon on the basis of *26 V.S.A. § 3181 (b) (15) and §3181 (b) (18)*. Motion passed unanimously.
  - c. Michael Toomey – Unarmed private investigator with Veracity Research. Tabled from the February meeting. Based on the information provided, Mr. Eckhardt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, to approve Mr. Toomey for registration. Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Veracity Research Co. – Request for approval of 40 hour Basic Training Course. Tabled for a personal appearance. (see letter dated March 13, 2009). Mr. Lance Foster was out of the country for this meeting and requested that they be rescheduled to appear at the April meeting.
- e. James Brigham – d/b/a under Pearson Consulting & Investigation – Application for a private investigative agency with Mr. Brigham as the qualifying agent.

7. **Training Program Review**

8. **Miscellaneous Correspondence**

9. **Budget Review**

10. **Public Comment**

11. **Other Business Introduced**

- a. The Board had a discussion on the process for verification of licensure in other states for registrants. Mr. Edwards made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pudvah, that temporary licenses will be issued without the verification, but that the verification would have to be received prior to the permanent license being issued.
- b. The Board discussed H368 – Electronic Life Safety and Property Protection Systems Licensing Act.

12. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **April 17, 2009 at 9:00 AM.**

15. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Skinner, Administrative Asst.