

**Vermont Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF PRIVATE INVESTIGATIVE & SECURITY SERVICES**

**Unapproved Minutes
January 15, 2016**

Board Members Present: James Eckhardt, Chair; Robert Wernecke, Secretary; Richard Murphy; and Franklin Davis. Participated via telephone: Anita Bobee, Vice-Chair.

Staff Present: Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel; Carla Preston, Case Manager; and Kara Shangraw, Licensing Board Specialist.

Others Present: Bridget Clover and Michael Clover.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:13 a.m. by the Board Chair, James Eckhardt.
2. The Board reviewed the Minutes of the December 4th meeting. Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wernecke, to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2015 meeting as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Case Manager Report/Concluded Investigations -

Ms. Preston made her case managers report, there are currently 10 pending cases.

4. Hearings/Reports/Stipulations -

The Board heard Michael Clover's appeal challenging a preliminary determination to deny his application for licensure. Mr. Clover was present for the hearing. Attorney Gilman, was the presiding officer for the Board. Based on the information provided, Mr. Wernecke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to go into deliberative session at 10:34 a.m. and out at 11:00 a.m. Motion passed 4-0. A written decision will be sent to Mr. Clover. Ms. Bobee, Investigative Team member abstained from the hearing and vote.

The Board heard Bridget Clover's appeal challenging a preliminary determination to deny her application for licensure. Ms. Clover was present for the hearing. Attorney Gilman, was the presiding officer for the Board. Based on the information provided, Mr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wernecke, to go into deliberative session at 12:29 p.m. and out at 12:50 p.m. Motion passed 4-0. A written decision will be sent to Ms. Clover. Ms. Bobee, Investigative Team member abstained from the hearing and vote.

5. Reports/Guests/Legislative Updates

6. Applications/Programs/Requests to review -

The Board reviewed the Qualifying Agent application for Thomas M. Nelson. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Wernecke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve Mr. Nelson's Qualifying Agent's application pending receipt of a favorable FBI background check. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the request for Robert Lunn to become a training instructor with Green Mountain Concert Services. Based on the information submitted, Mr. Murphy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Davis, to table the approval of Mr. Lunn's instructor application for additional information. Mr. Lunn will be notified.

7. Follow Ups

8. Correspondence

9. Other Business -

The Board discussed the status of the FBI background checks. They would like to further discuss this at their March meeting to decide whether to change, modify, or to no longer require the FBI background checks for the unarmed registrant applicants.

10. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Shangraw
Licensing Board Specialist