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State Board of Professional Engineers And Land Surveyors Minutes of April 18, 2024 Public Session Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was called to order by President Valenti, at 9:01 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street, 3rd Floor, Union Conference Room, Newark, New Jersey. All parties were duly notified of the time, date and place, with all pertinent material being provided.

SUNSHINE LAW ANNOUNCEMENT

President Valenti read the statement required by Chapter 231, Laws of 1975 known as the Open Public Meetings Act, and announced that notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Newark Star-Ledger, Trenton Times, the Camden Courier Post, Bergen Record, and the Atlantic City Press.

ROLL CALL

Present: Manar Alsharaa, PE James Purcell, PE
Magdy Hagag, PE Tam Sillick, PE
Gary Paparozzi, PLS James Valenti, PE
Lisa Peterson, PE, PLS Michael Venuto, PE, PLS

Others present: Daniel Roman, Deputy Attorney General; Keith Miller, Executive Director; staff members Valerie Nivose, Shonnette Messiah, Peggy Hinkley and two (2) members of the public.

APPEARANCES

10:45 am Ethics Presentation for Special State Officers by Francine Widrich, Division of Consumer Affairs Ethics Liaison Officer

ACTION: Francine Widrich performed the Ethics Presentation for Special State Officers for all members of the Board and staff present.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

March 21, 2024 for review

Correction of “Election of Officers” was made to page 1.

ACTION: After reviewing the minutes of March 21, 2024, the Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Hagag, unanimously voted to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A General Report

1 Licensing statistics

	Active	Expired	Retired
PE / LS	140	346	105
Professional Engineers	20,765	16,849	3,168
Professional Land Surveyors	689	788	204

2 State Specific Exam	Total	Passed	Failed
Last test given - March 14, 2024	8	2	6

Next Test: May 9, 2024 @ 10 am
Deadline to Register May 2, 2024

B Election and installation of officers

1 President

Mr. Valenti announced that the nomination committee received a letter of intent for the office of President of the Board from Michael Venuto, PE, PLS, which was read aloud to all board members.

ACTION: The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paporozzi, unanimously voted to elect Michael Venuto as President of the Board.

2 Vice President

Mr. Valenti announced that the nomination committee received one letter of intent for the office of Vice President of the Board from Lisa Peterson, PE, PLS, which was read aloud to all board members.

ACTION: The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Hagag, unanimously voted to elect Lisa Peterson as Vice President of the Board.

After the election of officers, BP Valenti thanked the Board for the privilege to serve as president multiple time over his 21 and a half years of service as a board member. He recalled past board members and the mentorships and ultimate friendships that developed over the years. He was proud that the moved forward with the technological developments for

applications. He recalled how the Board had a backlog of inquiries for disciplinary matters and scheduled a total of 13 investigative inquiries for one day with board members splitting into committees to conduct the inquiries. That was a day that still provides nightmares for some. He then concluded by informing the members present that he has resigned from the Board and today is his last meeting.

Board members present thanked him for his guidance and mentorship during his service with the Board. The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paporozzi, unanimously voted to appoint James Valenti as Emeritus member of the Board with NCEES.

C Incoming correspondence

- 1 Nick Marucci
March 8, 2024 email
Re: Clarification of “Scope of Practice” for Landscape Architects

ACTION: On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Venuto, the Board unanimously voted to advise Mr. Marucci that based on the limited information the Board refers him to N.J.A.C. 13:40-7 Permissible Division of Responsibility in Submission of Site Plans and Major Subdivision Plats.

- 2 Jonathan Dixon
March 8, 2024 email
Re: Duty of an NJ PE

ACTION: On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Peterson, the Board unanimously voted to send a letter advising that there is not enough information to provide a response, however, if Mr. Dixon feels there is a violation of the regulations, he may file a complaint with the Board.

- 3 Amr Abdelazim Elshaer, PE – 24GE03525500
April 1, 2024 email
Re: Waiver of CPC requirements due to complete disability

ACTION: After some discussion, on a motion by BM Paporozzi, seconded by BM Purcell, the Board unanimously voted to deny his request for a waiver of CPC credits for this renewal period as well as deny the renewal of his license. Also the Board determined he failed to provide CPC credits for the last 4 renewal periods.

- 4 Harris Gross, PE
April 4, 2024 email
Re: Home Inspection / Engineering question

ACTION: The Board determined to send Mr. Gross the regulations, specifically the definition section.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A Standing Committees:

- 1 Application Improvement Committee – JValenti (Chair) & MVenuto

ACTION: No report this month.

- 2 PLS Education Committee – GPaparozzi (Chair) & LPeterson

ACTION: ED Miller informed the Board that Chuck Manning, Regulatory Analyst, is unable to attend today's meeting for discussion. Table this item until next meeting.

- 3 Legislation Committee – MHagag (Chair) & JPurcell
A Chart

ACTION: Various bills were discussed. BM Purcell requested that DAG Roman review the wording of A2225 as he believes it is similar to a law that was enacted a few years ago. Last session bill #1449.

- 4 NCEES Committee – JPurcell (Chair) & M Alsharaa

ACTION: BM Purcell informed the Board the following: NorthEast Zone Meeting coming up May 2 to 4, 2024; there is a new FE practice exam model, available this summer, that is more in line with the actual exam format; and Zone meeting there are no nominees for Secretary. Nominations will open on the floor at the May 3rd meeting, if any board member is interested.

- 5 Joint Committee – M Alsharaa, MHagag and TSillick (alt member)

ACTION: Next meeting is scheduled for May 7 2024.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS AND CPC COURSES

A Routine Licensure

ACTION: On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Venuto, the Board unanimously voted to approve the following applications as indicated:

Name	Application #	Comity/Exam	Decision
Gish, Richard J	2510485		Grant PE Licensure
Baccaro, Kevin Michael	2784052		Grant PE Licensure
Bombacini, Rafael	2672265		LS Licensure Granted
Mitchell, Tracy	2285415		Grant PE Licensure

Michael, Meriam	2765422	Grant PE Licensure
Kern-Vannoy, Janet Theresa	2751195	Grant PE Licensure
Furcal, Sally	2384819	Grant PE Licensure
Ye, Xincheng	2742453	Grant PE Licensure
Mirzai, Reza	1647538	Grant PE Licensure
Gucun, Baris	2773812	Grant PE Licensure
Kowalski, Chester	2803761	Grant PE Licensure
Surti, Dhaval	2783887	EIT Granted
Witte, Brian Keith	2740906	Grant PE Licensure
Yip, Antonio	2713625	Grant PE Licensure
Sukthankar, Teja	2792886	Grant PE Licensure
Ibrahim, Shaibu	2761968	EIT Granted
Eldesouky, Mohamed R	2760943	Grant PE Licensure
LaMura, Michael Anthony	2775358	Grant PE Licensure
Suermann, David	2787049	Grant PE Licensure
Villacis Escobar, Juan Francisco	2790041	Grant PE Licensure
VanFossan, Wyatt	2730458	Grant PE Licensure
Dent, Laura Anne	2774185	Grant PE Licensure
Bauman, ALEC	2661289	Grant PE Licensure
Kalhor, Koosha	2717044	Grant PE Licensure
Matera, Nicholas Vincent	2774292	Grant PE Licensure
Kotzias, Achilles	2742987	Grant PE Licensure
Xenos, George P	2715282	Grant PE Licensure
Harting-Smith, Andrew I	2770683	Grant PE Licensure
Wilson, Andrew	2192902	Grant PE Licensure
Sowden, Ike	2356892	Grant PE Licensure
Walsh, Declan Gerard	2743383	Grant PE Licensure
Shyputa, Oleg	2799814	Grant PE Licensure
Wiley, Greg	2808932	Grant PE Licensure
Van de Pas, Julius Peter	2808516	Grant PE Licensure
Hernandez, Maximillian, Jr.	2745031	Grant PE Licensure
Trizzino, Michael Dominic	2810157	Grant PE Licensure
Sullivan, Andrew Mel	2809818	Grant PE Licensure
Griggs, Darin W	2412827	Grant PE Licensure
Ge, Xiaomeng	2676539	Grant PE Licensure
Abouelnour, Youssef	2709411	Grant PE Licensure
Jaskiewicz, Timothy Curtis	2699614	Grant PE Licensure
Julian, Ryan	2744109	Grant PE Licensure
Marcus, Meghan	2593309	Grant PE Licensure
Humagain, Sunil	2759087	Grant PE Licensure
Michial, Adel	2749721	Grant PE Licensure
Ramirez, Miguel	2733592	Grant PE Licensure
Eisen, Adam	2769766	Grant PE Licensure
Edwins, Andrew	2751947	Grant PE Licensure
Patel, Taij	2767272	Grant PE Licensure
Tachdjian, Peter	2765654	Grant PE Licensure
Gomez, Ricardo Tigua	2728780	Grant PE Licensure
Poulimenos, Demetrius	2751300	Grant PE Licensure
Biddle, Callan	2694501	Grant PE Licensure

Barnes, Thomas	2781658	Grant PE Licensure
Mavalankar, Amit	2776979	Grant PE Licensure
Tawfik, Mena	2753305	Grant PE Licensure
Duan, Yan	2750409	Grant PE Licensure
Patel, Khevna	2790801	Grant PE Licensure
Giglio, Anthony	2786652	Grant PE Licensure
Magar, Kamal	2789690	Grant PE Licensure
Eneme, Tabot	2795150	Grant PE Licensure
Spizz, Jason	2707426	Grant PE Licensure
Morrow, Nathan	2740399	Grant PE Licensure
Juneau, Richard	2734989	Grant PE Licensure
Osburn, III, Robert	2655991	Grant PE Licensure
Kamm, Zachary	2681384	Grant PE Licensure
Patel, Pruthvikkumar	2753050	Grant PE Licensure
Bai, Fangwei	2759727	Grant PE Licensure
Reimer, Wade	2764096	Grant PE Licensure
Surti, Dhaval	2783887	Grant PE Licensure
Bain, Phillip	2745153	Grant PE Licensure
Uthayakumaran, Murugesu	2660270	Grant PE Licensure
Ayer, Jr., Birkie	2782587	Grant PE Licensure
Lenihan, Patrick	2763459	Grant PE Licensure
Savaskan, Sena	2757176	Grant PE Licensure
Williams, Skerbetz	2797774	Grant PE Licensure
Yu, Mengchao	2787073	Grant PE Licensure
Asadi, Pouria	2766326	Grant PE Licensure
Castore, William	2793721	Grant PE Licensure
Bosiger, Scott T	2805683	Grant PE Licensure
Zdancewicz, Karol	1695094	Grant PE Licensure
Gregory, Paul William	2772700	Grant PE Licensure
Balasubramanian, Aswathram	2735982	Grant PE Licensure
Kim, Sungyong	2776886	Grant PE Licensure

B Continuing Professional Competency Courses

Sponsor	Course	PDH
McKissock 100% Education	Adverse Possession and Prescriptive Easements (online)	4
McKissock 100% Education	Adverse Possession and Prescriptive Easements (OC)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Documentation: Armor for the Modern Age (online)	3
McKissock 100% Education	Documentation: Armor for the Modern Age (OC)	1.5
McKissock 100% Education	Drone Surveying (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Drone Surveying (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Eminent Domain - An Overview (online)	5
McKissock 100% Education	Eminent Domain - An Overview (OC)	2.5
McKissock 100% Education	Engineering and Surveying - an Uncommon Language (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Engineering and Surveying - an Uncommon Language (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Ethical Surveying (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Ethical Surveying (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Exploring Floodplains (online)	2

McKissock 100% Education	Exploring Floodplains (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	FEMA Elevation Certificates 101 - A Tutorial (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	FEMA Elevation Certificates 101 - A Tutorial (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Flooding: Cause and Effect (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Flooding: Cause and Effect (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Geophysical Surveying - Methods and Applications (online)	4
McKissock 100% Education	Geophysical Surveying - Methods and Applications (OC)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Global Information Systems (GIS) and the Modern Surveyor (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Global Information Systems (GIS) and the Modern Surveyor (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Land Surveyors and Utilities (OC)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Land Surveyors and Utilities (online)	4
McKissock 100% Education	Land-Ownership, Titles, Deeds and Descriptions (online)	3
McKissock 100% Education	Land-Ownership, Titles, Deeds and Descriptions (OC)	3
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McKissock 100% Education	Legal Descriptions of Land and Property (online)	3
McKissock 100% Education	Legal Descriptions of Land and Property (OC)	1.5
McKissock 100% Education	Understanding the NFIP (National Flood Insurance Program) (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Understanding the NFIP (National Flood Insurance Program) (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	The History of the ALTAACSM Land-Survey Title (online)	3
McKissock 100% Education	The History of the ALTAACSM Land-Survey Title (OC)	1.5
McKissock 100% Education	Surveying at Night (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Surveying at Night (OC)	1
McKissock 100% Education	Overview of Hydrographic and Bathymetric Surveying (online)	5
McKissock 100% Education	Global Information Systems (GIS) Large and Small – A Case Study (online)	2
McKissock 100% Education	Global Information Systems (GIS) Large and Small – A Case Study (OC)	1
Rutgers University- OCPE	ArcGIS: Editing and Data Development (online)	12
Rutgers University- OCPE	Hydric Soils (online)	16.5
Rutgers University- OCPE	Methodology for Delineating Wetlands (online)	21.5
Rutgers University- OCPE	Vegetation Identification for Wetland Delineation – North (online)	12
Rutgers University- OCPE	Vegetation Identification for Wetland Delineation – South (online)	12

ACTION: On a motion by BM Paparozzi, seconded by BM Peterson, the Board unanimously voted to approve all courses as noted.

C Full Board Review

1 Jun Liu + – Applicant #2753379

(M. Alsharaa)

ACTION: Subsequent to discussion in executive session, the Board determined to table this application.

2 David Whitman – Applicant #2743810 (J. Purcell)

ACTION: After some discussion, the Board on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Venuto, unanimously voted to accept other references and grant licensure.

3 Anthony Ortiz – Applicant #2742105 (J. Purcell)

ACTION: After some discussion the Board on a motion by BM Peterson, seconded by BM Purcell, unanimously voted to approve for licensure.

4 Thomas Covington+ - Applicant #2762564 (J. Purcell)

ACTION: Subsequent to discussion in executive session, the Board on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Hagag, unanimously voted to approve for licensure.

5 Reynaldo Calzadilla+ – Applicant #2755354 (J. Purcell)

ACTION: Subsequent to discussion in executive session, the Board on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Hagag, unanimously voted to approve for licensure.

6 Sandeep Kumar Das+ - Applicant #2783817 (J. Purcell)

ACTION: Subsequent to discussion in executive session, the Board on a motion by BM Peterson, seconded by BM Alsharaa, unanimously voted to approve for licensure.

+ - to be reviewed in executive session

D Certificates of Authorizations

ACTION: The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Sillick, the Board unanimously voted to approve the following companies for Certificates of Authorization.

TURAN ENGINEERING LLC

6 Holland Dr
Clark NJ 07066
App #: 2802610

RGRID POWER LLC.

10300 Crisp Dr
Raleigh NC 27614
App #: 2803516

TAMARACK GROVE ENGINEERING, LLC

812 S. La Cassia Drive
Boise ID 83705
App #: 2802515

3S ENGINEERING LLC.

595 Mountain Ave
Berkeley Heights NJ 07922
App #: 2801376

BATISTIC GIS SURVEYING, LLC
50 Tice Blvd
Woodcliff Lake NJ 07677
App #: 2802459

ATLAS GREENHOUSE, LLC
9596 US-82
Alapaha GA 31622
App #: 2804223

BAYSHORE ENGINEERING LLC.
933 Ashburn Way
Woolwich Township NJ 08085
App #: 2808447

ARM GROUP LLC.
1129 West Governor Road
Hummelstown PA 17036
App #: 2753091

CLIFF ENGINEERING CORPORATION
224 Indian Hollow Court
Mahwah NJ 07430
App #: 2808747

GPI GEOSPATIAL INC
3051 E. Livingston Street- Ste 300
Orlando FL 32803
App #: 2808406

WUNDERLICH-MALEC ENGINEERING INC.
6101 Blue Circle Drive
Eden Prairie MN 55343
App #: 2808747

INDUSTRIAL ACCESS INC
1465 Ventura Dr
Cumming GA 30040
App #: 2809153

JUDE ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION INC.
6475 New Hampshire Ave Suite C504D
Hyattsville MD 20783
App #: 2809084

MICHELS CONSTRUCTION, INC.
817 W Main St
Brownsville WI 53006
App #: 2809133

LERCH BATES INC.
9780 S. Meridian Boulevard
Englewood CO 80112
App #: 2799276

SOL ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS, LLC
6995 Golden Mesa
Santa Fe NM 87507
App #: 2802389

CJD ENGINEERING LLC.
2225 W Chesterfield St – Suite 200
Springfield MO 65807
App #: 2804372

HATFIELD GROUP ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE
285 W Broadway – Suite 410
New York NY 10013
App #: 2807461

HARRISON FRENCH & ASSOCIATES, LLC
1705 S Walton Blvd – Suite 3
Bentonville AR 72712
App #: 2808150

TIMOTHY BALDRIDGE PE ENGINEERING, LLC.
1607 Brookstone Ct
Elkhart IN 46514
App #: 2804400

INFORMATIONAL / DISCUSSION ITEMS

Earlier in the meeting related to CPC credits / Renewal form question – the Board discussed getting a list of licensees who have answered no on the renewal form for the CPC question. Request MIS provide data on answers to the questions on the renewal form for board review.

Copy of an email from Chuck Manning, Regulatory Analyst, regarding A4621/S3156

ACTION: This matter was tabled until the next meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- 1 William Schemel
March 13, 2024 email
Re: Subdivision Monuments

ACTION: After some discussion, the Board determined to advise Mr. Schemel of the waiver rule and setting alternate marker or off-set marker in accordance with the regulations.

- 2 Gary Kuzma
March 14, 2024
Re: Does the 25 year requirement relate to the total number of years as a PE or number of years licensed in New Jersey.

ACTION: After some discussion, the Board on a motion by BM Venuto, seconded by BM Peterson, unanimously voted to advise Mr.Kuzma that it is 25 years total as a licensed professional engineer.

Inasmuch as no comments have been submitted and hearing no comments from members of the public present, BP Valenti proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board, on a motion by BM Hagag, seconded by BM Pappozzi, unanimously voted to go into executive session for the purposes of reviewing Executive Session minutes, review of complaints, consideration of disciplinary actions and advice of counsel.

NEXT MEETINGS

May 16, 2024
June 20, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Venuto, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

James Valenti, PE
Board President

Keith Miller
Executive Director