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State Board of Professional Engineers And Land Surveyors

Minutes of June 18, 2020

Public Session Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Due to the current state of emergency, the June 18, 2020 meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was not held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, but remotely. Pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.1 notice was provided within 48 hours of the scheduled meeting. The meeting was called to order by President Michael Valenti at 9:03 am and conducted electronically only. All parties were duly notified of the time, date 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
	Michael Kelly, PE	Richard Smith, Jr., PLS
	Gary Paparozzi, PLS	James Valenti, PE
	Edward Vernick, PE	

Absent:

Others present: Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; Michael DeFrancisci, Acting Executive Director; Mahnaz Rahim, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Consumer Affairs; staff members Yolanda Winston and Peggy Hinkley

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made

OLD BUSINESS

Standing motion review/approval next agenda

The Board hereby authorizes the Board President to take action regarding certain events arising between Board meetings, where time is of the essence. Such actions include:

- 1 Issuing an Order to Show Cause upon the filing by the Attorney General of a Verified Complaint seeking emergent relief;
- 2 To call a meeting of a committee of the Board to conduct an emergent Temporary Suspension hearing based upon such Complaint and issuing an Order to be ratified by the Board at its next meeting and having immediate effect, or call a meeting of the full Board to conduct an emergent Temporary Suspension hearing based upon such Complaint and issuing an Order having immediate effect;
- 3 Determining settlement terms of a disciplinary case pending review and approval of the full board, including but not limited to, those cases where a final determination by the board must be made on short notice to effectuate global settlement with other civil or criminal authorities or where there is an immediate danger to the public health safety and welfare should a licensee remain in practice; and
- 4 Approving minutes in case a meeting is cancelled.

The above actions are subject to review by the full Board at the next meeting. The full Board may then ratify, amend or vacate the action taken by the President. Further, the Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director of the Board to approve applications from applicants seeking to be licensed and/or certified that meet the statutory and regulatory requirements; and upon meeting all requirements, issue said license and/or certification.

ACTION: After some discussion, the Board on a motion by BM Vernick, seconded by BM Smith, voted to approve the above standing motions as presented and to re-visit them on a yearly basis.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

May 21, 2020 for review

Editorial changes were made to the minutes.

ACTION: After reviewing the minutes of May 21, 2020, the Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, seconded by BM Paparozzi, voted to approve the minutes as amended. It passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A General Report

Acting Executive Director DeFrancisci informed the Board of the following:

- He and some staff members have made some progress on opening and handling the mail received in the office.

- Questions for the Land Surveyor state specific test have been reviewed and will be compiled for a test to be administered at a future date when people will be allowed in the building.
- Finalizing the information for Francine Woodrich pertaining to the RFP to obtain a vendor to provide future pen and pencil examinations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A Standing Committees:

I Legislation Committee i Legislation Chart

ACTION: BM Vernick reported that there has been no movement four bills the Board are currently tracking. There is a new bill A-4225 / S-2455 which prohibits lawful presence in United States as qualification for obtaining professional or occupational license, which will be on the next agenda for review.

II Application & Examination Committee

ACTION: After some discussion, the Board on a motion by BM Vernick, seconded by BM Kelly voted to de-couple the application process for the examination. It passed unanimously.

III NCEES Committee

- The NCEES Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for June 12-13 as a virtual meeting
- The NCEES Annual Meeting has been canceled and essential business will be conducted virtually on August 27 at 5:30 pm.
 - Essential business will consist of Bylaws revisions and Financial actions (approval of 2020-21 budget)
 - The 2020 Action Items and Conference Report will be posted on the Annual Meeting page of the NCEES website at the end of June – this will include the information regarding committee reports and actions to be taken on August 27
 - Nonessential actions will be deferred to 2021
 - A series of webinars will be held in preparation of the Annual Meeting, beginning on June 17 with a review of the schedule of events
 - Further details regarding the Annual Meeting can be found on the NCEES Annual Meeting webpage - <https://ncees.org/about/governance/ncees-annual-meeting/>
- NCEES Election of Officers for the NE Zone will include President-Elect, Treasurer, and Northeast Zone Secretary-Treasurer. The election process will be different this year – ballots will be sent to the Member Board Administrators on June 29th and must be returned by July 31st.

ACTION: Duly noted.

IV State Specific Exam Committee

- A test was prepared based on old question bank and is available.
- Executive Director is reviewing.
- Developing new exam and new content:
 - Additional questions are available in question bank
 - ED is evaluating the mechanism to develop new content within State guidelines.
 - Content experts Volunteers are available. Former Board Member with extensive NCEES test development experience has volunteered to facilitate that project.

ACTION: Duly noted.

V Joint Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2020

ACTION: Duly noted.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS AND CPC COURSES

A Routine Licensure

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

NAME	APPLICANT #	NAME	APPLICANT #
Craig E. Turner	2319133	Scott M. Bovia	2363466
Michael Gillespie	2349495	Martin Khallaf	2358718
Chakradhar Vallabh	2357641	Elizabeth Telfer	2278145
Paymon Eskandarian	2357295	William Ford	2355456
Gregory Arnold	2348413	Corinne Tuozzoll	2267008
Dogancan Altinyurek	2364656	Noreen Karolski	2357639
Amy Summers	2263908	Andrew McConnell	2294554
Jeremy Matthews	2315084	Seyed Mousavian	2352750
Saddam Ahmed	2358900	Scott McGlamery	2363266
Greg J. Horejs	2323889	Maria Lowe	2345403
Sami Sarrouh	2273703	Timothy McKenney	2297744
Andre G. Thompson	2348612	Robert Schank	2290431
Adam R Salo	2342268	Brian J Mileo	2332508
Lakhan Wadhwa	2368987	Glenn A Mouritzen	2334933
James Moran	2368989	Douglas N Stephens	2354528
Stephen J Battiglia	2371510	Thomas M Schronce	2358565

Conor P Bourgue	2370331	Peter O Nussbacher	2330433
Ian J Gonzales	2362699	William R Mack	2314700
Michael P Hahlbeck	2352499	Matt G Killebrew	2363012
Everett Horton	2320467	Alexander E Lawrason	2332508

Sean P Pick-Kell	2348851	full board review
Christian R Lozada	2364856	AIN

B Continuing Professional Competency Courses

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

C Full Board Review

No applications for review

D Reinstatement

No applications submitted for review

E Certificates of Authorizations

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

SIEMENS ENERGY, INC.

4400 Alafaya Trail
Orlando, FL 32826
Application #2384020

PISANO DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC.

3 Woodbury Lane
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648
Application #2384687

THE JOHN R. MCADAMS CO. INC.

2905 Meridian Parkway
Durham, NC 27713
Application #2384028

POINT INTEGRITY SOLUTIONS, LLC

127 Eayrestown Rd.
Southampton, NJ 08088
Application #2384848

SUPREME ENGINEERING LLC.

257 Wagner Street
Middlesex, NJ 08846
Application #2384701

BLAST DEFLECTORS, INC.

8620 Technology Way
Reno, NV 89521
Application #2384736

SG CIVIL ENGINEERING LLC.

26 Woodfield Drive
Whippany, NJ 07981
Application #2384850

ENGLAND CONSULTING, LLC.

4134 S. Broad St. Apt J1
Hamilton, NJ 08620
Application #2384852

SSI CONSULTING, LLC.
5422 Red Bank Road
Galena, OR43021
Application #2384765

CMA ENGINEERS, INC.
35 Bow Street
Portsmouth, NH 03801
Application #2384863

VENTROP ENGINEERING CONSULTING GROUP LLC.
1503 91st Street
North Bergen, NJ 07047
Application#2384859

INFORMATIONAL / DISCUSSION ITEMS

No items were discussed

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Since no comments were submitted via e-mail, BP Valenti proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board on a motion by BM Purcell, seconded by BM Paporozzi voted to go into executive session to review the minutes and other items on the executive session agenda.

NEXT MEETINGS

July 16, 2020

No August Meeting

September 17, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

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

APPROVED BY:

James Valenti, PE
Board President

Michael DeFrancisci
Acting Executive Director