STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

Minutes of January 15, 2009 Public Session

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was called to order by Board President James Valenti at 9:00 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

Board 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.

Present: James Valenti Lawrence Koo James Purcell Robert Marshall Michael Angeline Perry Schwartz James Cleary Edward Vernick Barry Jones

Absent: Richard Frantz

Others: Arthur Russo, Executive Director, Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General, Joseph Grabowy, Assistant to the Executive Director, staff members Martha Richardson, Yolanda Winston, and one member of the public.

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

December 4, 2008

On a motion by BM Cleary, seconded by BM Jones, the Board voted to accept the minutes as amended. BM Angeline abstained.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislation

BM Vernick reported to the Board that there has not been any movements on bills.

Regulations

VP Purcell informed the Board that he has begun reviewing the regulations for the January 2010 sunset. VP Purcell, BP Valenti and BMs Schwartz and Jones will form a sub-committee to assist in this matter.

Joint Committee

BP Valenti informed the Board that BM Schwartz was elected incoming chairman of the Joint Committee. On a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Angeline, the Board voted to prepare a draft notice indicating that only a licensed professional land surveyor can prepare as-built surveys.

Licensure Promotion

BM Vernick suggested to the Board that a followup letter should be sent to Stevens Institute of Technology regarding their past visit. The Board staff will compile a list of colleges formerly visited by the Board. A spring trip is planned to attend Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ, as well as a fall trip to Rowanuth University.

Education

BM Schwartz informed the Board of the reduction of the number of students entering the engineering field, and that licensure promotion should be geared at the high school level, by promoting the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) program for high school students. He will update the Board at its next meeting.

Continuing Education

On a motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Jones, the Board voted to approve the following continuing education courses:

SPONSOR COURSE PDH

NJ Society of PLS Environmental Regs for Property Transactions 1

Contract Renewal Committee

The time and events calender for the bidding of a new contract for the administration of the Board's examinations was distributed.

APPEARANCE BY JEFFREY S. PAUL, #1250289

Mr. Paul appeared before the Board to discuss his request for a waiver of the fundamentals of engineering examination based upon his background and experience. Mr. Paul had previously passed the principles and practices portion of the engineering examinations. On a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Schwartz, the Board voted to waive the fundamentals of engineering examination for Mr. Paul.

APPEARANCE BY JONATHAN GREENBERG, #1355199

Mr. Greenberg appeared before the Board to discuss his professional engineer's application. After reviewing his application the Board concluded that Mr. Greenberg may sit for the April 2009 principles and practices portion of the engineering examination if additional satisfactory references are timely received.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

General Report

ED Russo provided statistics regarding the number of licensed PE & LS's for 2008. This correspondence was noted for the record.

Executive Director Russo informed the Board that Professional Credentials Services (PCS) has requested the completion of the review of the PCS databank of questions for the state specific law examination.

ED Russo stated that a total of 31 complaints were filed with the Board during 2008.

Executive Director Russo stated that the father of Albert Faraldi, PLS, died on January 1, 2009.

Staff member Richardson stated that all applications for certificates of authorization have been processed.

1,576 applications were processed and approximately 600 did not renew.

VP Purcell stated he would be attending the NCEES Board Presidents Assembly meeting in February 2009.

BM Angeline stated he will be leaving the Board and will not be seeking reappointment at the end of his 5 year term.

BM Angeline informed the Board that he has completed and mailed to the NCEES Northeast Zone nominating committee, the documents nominating Louis Raimondi, PE, PLS, for its distinguished service award.

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Sherrie Holcomb (NCEES) Re: Northeast Zone Meeting January 6, 2009

Ms. Holcomb informed the Board of the Northeast Zone meeting and is requesting funded delegate information.

BP Valenti will review his schedule and inform the Board whether he would be attending the meeting scheduled for April 16-18, 2009 in Norfolk, VA.

Dana J. Parrish, PLS

Re: Man Filing Law - Mon

Re: Map Filing Law - Monument Alternative

December 16, 2008

Ms. Parrish requested approval from the Board to use an alternate to concrete monuments.

After discussing this matter, the Board on a motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Jones, determined to refer Ms. Parrish to its regulations on this matter.

Robert Weatherford, PE

Re: Clarification of NJSA 45:4B-7

November 25, 2008

Mr. Weatherford requested clarification whether certain projects are permitted to be permfomed by an Engineer under Building Design Services Act.

The Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Schwartz, voted to inform Mr. Weatherford that there was insufficient information to make any determinations. Accordingly, he shall be advised that he may provide additional information which would be forwarded to the Joint-Committee of Architects and Engineers for handling.

John F. Mann, PE

Re: The Homebuyer's Guide to Building Codes in NJ

October 24, 2008

Mr. Mann has concerns regarding information published on the DCA website.

This correspondence was noted for the record.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

This correspondence was noted for the record.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

The Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Schwartz, voted unanimously to approve the following applications as indicated:

NAME APPLICATION # PE/EIT APPROVED/AIN

Nikolas Nemick 1342586 Comity Grant License

Craig West 1354288 Comity Grant License

Cyrus Gerami 1362996 Comity Grant License

Gregory Cheney 1369371 Comity Grant License

Wayne Tucker 1370461 Comity Grant License

Scott Jones 1354363 Comity Grant License

Gregory Moser 1370488 Comity Grant License

Stanley Sedwick 1321268 Comity Grant License

George Curvan 1331460 Comity Grant License

Peter Balogh 1354343 Comity Grant License

Gerald McLaughlin 1262430 Exam Take P

Bruce Wells 1374798 Exam Take PLS

Stuart Rauvola 1319045 Comity Grant License

Janice Wilson 1302900 Comity Grant License

John Wang 1370548 Exam Take P

David Graham 1323746 Comity Grant License

Robert Jordan 1327176 Comity Grant License

Vicente Monsanto 1238096 Exam Take FE

David Goldberg 1327582 Exam Take FE

Eric Miller 1150643 Exam Take FE

Ruihan Kang 1347505 Exam Take FE

Volkan Yargici 1305756 Exam Take FE

Patrick Wilfred 1338302 Exam Take FE

Brian Jillson 1192832 Exam Denied FE

Brian Friedlich 1330702 Exam Take P

Matthew Marsh 1370483 Exam Take P

Peter O'Hara 1354338 Comity Grant License

Wenxiao Shan 1320571 Exam Take FE

David Rochow 1370466 Exam Take P

Catherine Trent 1371042 Exam Take P

Brian Lee 1313517 Comity Grant License

Peter Jernigan Jr. 1354358 Comity Grant License

Richard Eller 1330607 Exam Take P

Alan Mettemeyer 1374810 Comity Grant License

William Gillmore 1206225 Comity Grant License

Nelson Parada 1370477 Exam Take P

David Hartmann 1368289 Comity Grant License

Edward Christine 1344280 Comity Grant License

Matthew Tomik 1370474 Exam Take P

Thomas Wighard 1298260 Exam Take P

Emanuel Posluszny 1354323 Comity Grant License

Martin Wendel 1367527 Comity Grant License

Allison Lukachik 1370469 Comity Grant License

Andrzej Okolski 1096737 Comity Grant License

David Mahoney 1333526 Comity Grant License

Samuel Chung 1369395 Exam Take P

Christine McDonough 1359949 Exam Take P

Ehren Feller 1371022 Exam Take P

Edward Kuhn II 1374750 Exam Take P

Randy Osborne 1329140 Comity Grant License

Dena Franzler 1370473 Exam Take P

Jean Mariel Go 1370761 Exam Take P

Vita Wa Ngongo 1329798 Exam Take P

Christopher Della Penna 1006877 Comity Grant License

John Terman 1262580 Exam Take P

Jeffrey Paull 1250289 Exam Waive F

Rolando Sanidad 1339031 Exam Take P

Michael Feldbusch 1023428 Exam Take NJ State Specific

The Board, on a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Schwartz, voted unanimously to request additional information from the following applicants for licensure:

Christopher Cox 1355179 Exam AIN

David Caggiano 1320268 Comity AIN

Babli Kazi 1342667 Comity AIN

Joel Kucharski 1312835 Comity AIN

Ben Szela 1340664 Comity AIN

John Brosnan 1368102 Comity AIN

Owen Milligan 1354293 Comity AIN

Ghassan Haddad 1346207 Exam AIN

Steven Januskis 1337607 Comity AIN

Anand Sircar 1344255 Comity AIN

James Skokowski 1344073 Comity AIN

Virag Bhachech 1303466 Comity AIN

Samuel Ragheb 1310543 Comity AIN

Sunil Gupta 994335 Exam AIN

Andrew Ritchie 1366624 Exam AIN

Lesley Stout 1162904 Comity AIN

Wenming Wang 1258195 Exam AIN

Shahzad Hassan 1370223 Comity AIN

Robert Lex 1313752 Comity AIN

Matthew Vincent 1370724 Exam AIN

Robert Klynsma 1374805 Comity AIN

Curt LaCount 1358604 Comity AIN

Hattem Aly 1369394 Exam AIN

Christopher Seaman 1353338 Exam AIN

Anthony Tomasello 1371021 Exam AIN

Byungtae Park 1371044 Exam AIN

Miguel M. Pereiras 1370559 Exam AIN

Jere Murdoch 1320237 Exam AIN

Nathan Mosley 1327182 Exam AIN

Joshua Hanrahan 1367799 Exam AIN

Brad Miller 1370538 Exam AIN

David Teasdale 1340673 Comity AIN

Frank Polinski Jr. 1374779 Exam AIN

Preston Quick 1371047 Exam AIN

Robert Lynch 1323869 Comity AIN

Jeffrey Pisarek 1370749 Exam AIN

Kevin Goodwin 1374702 Exam AIN

Richard Long 1361630 Exam AIN

Frank Brown 1263595 Exam AIN

Richard Fromuth 1320362 Comity AIN

A.I.N. = Additional Information Needed

CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION

The Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Cleary, voted to approve the following companies for a Certificate of Authorization:

TECHNIP USA, INC. 11700 Old Kaly Road, Ste. 150 Houston, Tx. 77079 Application # 1388695

DAVID EVANS AND ASSOCIATES, INC. 2100 SW River Parkway Portland, OR 97201 Application #1381695

SPARLING, INC. 720 Olive Way, Ste. 1400 Seattle, WA 98101 Application # 1388688 MPF LAND SURVEYING, LLC 142 Kanouse Street Boonton, NJ 07005 Application #1388704

BABCOCK EAGLETON, INC.
2900 North Loop West, St e. 1000
Houston, TX 77092
Application #1389942
YMP CONSULTING ENGINEERING, LLC
16 Layng Terrace
Springfield, NJ 07081
Application # 1389953

TOSONE SITE SERVICES, LLC 169 Statesville Quarry Road P.O. Box 293 Lafayette NJ 07848 Application #1389960

FOREST ELECTRIC CORP. Two Penn Plaza New York, NY 10121

JCR ENGINEERING, LLC 17 Morgan Drive Barnegat, NJ 08005 Application # 1388714

BP GEOTECH, INC. 216 Wyncote Road Jenkintown, PA 19046 Application #1388723

MERRIMAC ASSOCIATES, INC. 190 North Evergreen Avenue, Ste. 100 Woodbury, NJ 08096 Application # 1390107

FULL BOARD REVIEW

Michael Feldbusch, PLS Applicant #1023428

After discussing this application, the Board, on a motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Jones, voted to approve Mr. Feldbusch's application to take the land surveyors state specific examination subject to the Board obtaining an affidavit stating that he does not have any prior disciplinary actions in the states he holds an existing license.

Rolando Sanidad, PE Applicant #1339031

After reviewing Mr. Sanidad's application, the Board, on a motion by BM Marshall, second by BM Schwartz, voted to approve his application.

Richard Fromuth, PE Comity Applicant # 1320362

After discussing this application, the Board, on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Schwartz, voted to have Mr. Fromuth appear before the Board to discuss his design experience and to provide examples of design projects he worked on.

Frank Brown, PE Applicant # 1263595

After discussing this application, the Board concluded to request an additional reference from Mr. Brown.

Ruihan Kang, EIT Applicant # 1347505

After discussing this application, the Board, on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Schwartz, voted to approve Mr. Kang's EIT application.

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS

Shashikant V. Athavale

The Board reviewed the reinstatement application for Mr. Athavale and, on a motion by BM Schwartz, second by VP Purcell, voted to reinstate his license.

Tze-Heng Chin, PE

The Board reviewed the reinstatement application for Mr. Chin and, on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Marshall, voted to approve reinstatement.

Richard T. Hallahan, PE

The Board reviewed Mr. Hallahan's application and on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Schwartz, voted that Mr. Hallahan provide an affidavit so stating if he holds license(s) in other state(s), and to provide information regarding any disciplinary actions previously taken against him.

Richard Charles Michel, PE

The Board reviewed Mr. Michel's application for reinstatement and determined that he had not demonstrated proficiency. Thus, on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Vernick, the Board voted that Mr. Michel take the principles and practices portion of the engineering examination.

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Licensure of Engineering Faculty - a Difficult Proposition

The Board suggested that this issue be addressed by the Sunset Regulation Review Committee. This correspondence was noted for the record.

The Board requested that a letter be sent to Educational Perspectives requesting that their explanation/summaries be more definitive, clear and concise.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles Blumeling, PE, PLS, spoke about various discrepancies and sought clarification between the proposed changes to the map filing law and the existing municipal land use law.

MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Schwartz unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session to review disciplinary matters.

RETURN TO PUBLIC

On a motion contained within the Executive Session minutes, the Board re-entered into Public Session to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Schwartz the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:00pm.

APPROVED BY:

James K. Valenti, P.E. Arthur Russo

Executive Director President