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STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS Minutes of January 17, 2013 Public Session

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was called to order by Board President, Perry Schwartz, 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 Schwartz 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:	Perry Schwartz	Lawrence Koo
	James Purcell	Richard Smith, Jr.
	Robert Marshall	James Valenti
	James Cleary	Edward Vernick
	Barry Jones	

Absent: Richard Frantz

Others: Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General, Karl W. Reidel, Executive Director, Joseph Grabowy, Senior Mgt. Assistant, staff members, Martha Richardson and Yolanda Winston, and two members of the public; Peter Burgess, PE, PLS, President - Elect, NJSPLS and Joseph Fiordaliso, ACECNJ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

APPEARANCES

Elizabeth Greenblatt, Regulatory Analyst, appeared before the Board for a discussion on the proposed amendment to N.J.A.C. 13:40-13.5 to include a biennial renewal period for Board approved providers of engineer CPC courses, which is under review.

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

– October 18, 2012

The minutes of October 18, 2012 were noted for the record.

– December 20, 2012

After reviewing the minutes of December 20, 2012, the Board on a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Jones, voted to approve them as amended. BMs Koo and Marshall abstained.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

General Report

Executive Director Reidel, presented to the Board an invoice from NCEES for its annual membership dues in the amount of \$6,500.00. On a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Jones, the Board voted to authorize payment of the invoice

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

NCEES Nomination Committee
Northeast Zone
December 3, 2012

Re: Request to Solicit Nominations for 2013-14.

After discussion, the Board on a motion by BM Smith, second by BM Jones, voted to nominate VP Purcell for NCEES Northeast Zone Vice President.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Standing Committees:

I Legislation:

1. Re: A3477 - Revises the definition of “responsible charge” as it pertains to licensed professional engineers and land surveyors.

The Board discussed this bill and on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Valenti, voted to approve and support the bill if the language of the bill were amended by deleting the clause, “which includes the use of video and audio conferencing technology and”.

In the alternative, the Board voted to approve and support the bill if amended to read “which may include the use of video and audio conferencing technology”.

Elizabeth Greenblatt was directed to take the Board's comments into consideration.

2. Re: A3639 - Removes certain requirements for professional engineers to take examination to operate water supply and wastewater treatment systems.

The Board discussed this bill and on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Cleary, the Board voted in favor of this pending legislation. The Board commented that the language "and provided that he has a college degree in an engineering program or curriculum of four years or more" is not necessary because the statutory educational requirements of a New Jersey PE are included as part of the PE licensing process.

Elizabeth Greenblatt was directed to take the Board's comments into consideration.

3. Re: S2412/A3319 - Prohibits State departments and agencies from charging a fee to an applicant solely to correct clerical errors on any application form.

After discussion, the Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Marshall voted to take no position on this bill because it does not apply to any of the Board's regulations.

ii Regulations Committee:

No report

iii Education Committee

No report

iv Joint Committee of Architects & Engineer

No report

v Digital Signature Committee

Committee Chair, Edward Vernick, requested the Board staff extend one more invitation to software vendors to appear before the committee and present their digital signature and seal software.

Alternatively, the Board would consider webinars, video conferencing, etc., in lieu of face-to-face presentations.

vi NCEES

VP Purcell informed the Board that registration for the 2013 NE Zone meeting in Cape May, NJ, will be available on line in two weeks.

VP Purcell informed the Board that the FE and FS examinations will be given in a computer based format starting on January 2, 2014. Candidates will be able to register directly with NCEES at any approved Pearson Vue Center for the examination. The exam will consist of 110 questions and last approximately 5 hours 20 minutes. Candidates for these examinations will no longer require Board approval to take the FE and FS exams and the Board's regulations must be revised to reflect this change. At the time of registration NCEES will inform each candidate that passing the FE/FS will not guarantee the issuance of an EIT or LSIT certificate. Each candidate must review and comply with the requirements of the State to which they are applying for an EIT Certificate.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

Licensure:

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Application #</u>	<u>Comity/Exam.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Bacal, Stefan	1684748	Comity	Grant License
Bahney, Todd	1694726	Comity	Grant License
Barrett, Bart	1677614	Comity	Grant License
Berger, Glen	1611183	Comity	Grant License
Bhavsar, Falgun	1664431	Exam.	Take FE
Blue, Raquel	1645953	Comity	Grant License
Cecko, Peter	1552966	Exam.	Take P
Childers, Katherine	1700236	Exam.	Take P
Cocca, Jr., John	1636876	Comity	Grant License
Crutchfield, Brian	1635039	Comity	Grant License
Degnan, Bradley	1594466	Comity	Grant License
Didat, John	1692052	Comity	Grant License
DiGiacomo, Steven	1645244	Comity	Grant License
DiValerio, David	1662910	Exam.	Take P
Dusang, Keith	1663253	Comity	Grant License
Erdem, Ibrahim	1693794	Comity	Grant License
Grapperhaus, Michael	1693979	Comity	Grant License
Gutowsky, Jeff	1654456	Comity	Grant License
Heimall, Daniel	1677343	Exam.	Take P
Hollinger, David	1683275	Comity	Grant License
Horton, Scott	1684731	Comity	Grant License
Kwiatkowski, Richard	1692027	Comity	Grant License
Lowery, Bradley	1693997	Comity	Grant License

Mina, Joseph	1621582	Comity	Grant License
Morgenroth, Jason	1630927	Exam.	Take P
Mullen, Michael	1656425	Comity	Grant License
Ondrasik, Bryan	1677367	Comity	Grant License
Owusu, Francis	1649261	Exam.	Take FE
Patel, Biren	1658421	Comity	Grant License
Patrick, Julia	1677562	Comity	Grant License
Pearre, Scott	1467618	Exam.	Take P
Perumalsamy, Vekitasim	1627524	Comity	Grant License
Porter, Roger	1644991	Comity	Grant License
Rajah, Thileepan	1655534	Exam.	Take P
Rivnyak, Frank	1678213	Comity	Grant License
Robison, Frank	1664105	Comity	Grant License
Rodriguez, Maike	1691986	Exam.	Take P
Ronan, Patrick	1655020	Comity	Grant License
Salvatore, Anthony	1681306	Comity	Grant License
Sawant, Rishikesh	1684754	Comity	Grant License
Schwarzmeier, James	1707178	Comity	Grant License
Schweickhardt, Alan	1684301	Comity	Grant License
Scriffiano, Alexander	1677349	Exam.	Take P
Setty, Raj	1663319	Comity	Grant License
Sing, Stuart	1681327	Comity	Grant License
Sutton, Michael	1665304	Comity	Grant License
Thakkar, Girish	1663321	Comity	Grant License
Thomas, Paul	1697764	Exam.	Take P
Wilemsky, Joel	1654653	Comity	Grant License
Williams, Zachary	1659319	Exam.	Take P
Yin, Gang	1663280	Comity	Grant License
Zimmer, Alec	1614518	Comity	Grant License

The Board, on a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Jones, voted unanimously to request additional information for the following applications:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Application #</u>	<u>Comity/Exam.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Armstrong, James	1676875	Comity	AIN
Buccine, Chad	1694994	Comity	AIN
Butterworth, Edith	1692047	Comity	AIN
Cruz, Romeo	1260064	Exam.	AIN
Dellose, John	1666703	Comity	AIN
Dyer, John	1691277	Comity	AIN
Ehrlich, Stephen	1654626	Comity	AIN
Ivers, Brock	1661661	Comity	AIN
Johnson, Bradley	1666795	Comity	AIN
Khan, Maqsudur	1641075	Comity	AIN
Liu, Jinfu	1675573	Comity	AIN
Miller, John	1707205	Comity	AIN
Patel, Bharvi	950396	Comity	AIN

Polizzi, Jeffrey	1009723	Exam.	AIN
Reeves, Daniel	1678212	Comity	AIN
Takacs, James	1656242	Comity	AIN
Thompson, James	1654648	Comity	AIN
Vasilescu, Emanuel	1690783	Comity	AIN
Wasson, Scott	1707350	Comity	AIN

AIN: Additional Information Needed

Continuing Education Courses:

None

Full Board Review:

None

Reinstatements:

Joseph Schmitt, PE

The Board discussed Mr. Schmitt's reinstatement application and on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Valenti, voted unanimously to approve his request for reinstatement.

Certificates of Authorizations

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

<p>CORNERSTONE CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTURAL, INC. 1176 North Irving Street Allentown, PA 18109 Application # 1712664</p>	<p>AED, INC. 6525 Belcrest Road, Ste. 426 Hyattsville, MD 20782 Application # 1716500</p>
<p>EID & LAPATKA, LLC 795 Susquehanna Avenue Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417 Application # 1715936</p>	<p>PREMIER PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT, LLC 18 West Walnut Avenue Moorestown, NJ 08057 Application # 115944</p>

<p>VEOLIA WATER SOLUTIONS & TECHNOLOGIES NORTH AMERICA, INC. 250 Airside Drive Moon Township, PA 15108 Application # 1715963</p>	<p>VERTEX CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC. 400 Libbey Parkway Weymouth, MA 02189 Application # 1715970</p>
<p>PROVINCE TITLE AND LAND SURVICES 2771 Delsea Drive Franklinville, NJ 08322 Application # 1715978</p>	<p>GEOTECHNICAL SYSTEMS AND STRUCTURES PE, LLC 215 Valley Road Mexico, NY 13114 Application # 1715986</p>

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

VP Purcell acknowledged the many New Jersey PE licensees who volunteer their time and services to NCEES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joseph Fiordaliso, ACECNJ, indicated they have not taken any position regarding the use of electronic seals and signatures. In addition, he expressed that many members were opposed to the comments regarding persons in responsible charge.

MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

RETURN TO PUBLIC

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

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by BM Jones, second by VP Purcell, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 pm.

APPROVED BY:

Perry Schwartz
President

Karl W. Reidel
Executive Director