

**STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
AND LAND SURVEYORS
Minutes of March 6, 2008
Public Session**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was called to order by Vice-President James K. 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

Vice-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
Edward Vernick Robert Marshall
James Cleary James Purcell
Richard Frantz Perry Schwartz
Barry Jones

Absent: Michael Angeline

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

REVIEW OF MINUTES

December 20, 2007

The Board reviewed the December 20, 2007 minutes and on a motion by BM Purcell, second by BM Frantz, voted to accept the minutes as submitted. BMs Marshall and Vernick abstained.

February 7, 2008

The Board reviewed the February 7, 2008 minutes and on a motion by BM Purcell, second by BM Frantz, voted to accept the minutes as submitted. BMs Jones and Vernick abstained.

February 21, 2008

On a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Marshall, the Board voted to accept the minutes of February 21, 2008 as submitted. BM Purcell abstained.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislation/Regulations

Ms. Schirpio appeared before the Board to discuss Bill A1824, formerly A3753, which revises the licensing requirements for licensure for land surveyors. The Board will review its prior comments to determine if any changes are necessary and will table this matter to its next meeting.

On a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Schwartz, the Board voted to oppose Bill A2146, which abolished the Certified Landscape Architect Committee. The Board maintains its prior position as to amendments to the pending legislation, but also took the position that the functions should be transferred to this Board.

On a motion by BM Purcell, second by BM Vernick the Board voted to adopt the proposed Home Inspection Advisory Committee regulation regarding duplicate fees.

Joint Committee

VP Valenti reported that the Joint Committee determined that both registered architects and licensed professional engineers can design retaining walls and perform calculations, regardless of the height of the retaining wall.

Licensure Promotion

The Board is waiting for confirmation from Rutgers' University for a date to meet during April 2008.

On a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Frantz, the Board voted to offer all examination testing disciplines available from the National Council of Examinations and Engineering Services (NCEES) commencing with the October 2008 examinations, since no additional expense or overhead would be incurred. BM Koo opposed.

Continuing Education

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

SPONSOR COURSE PDH

Mid Atlantic Chapter of the Urban and Regional Introduction to GIS Information Systems Association 7

Mid Atlantic Chapter of the Urban and Regional Introduction to GPS Information Systems Association 7

Mid Atlantic Chapter of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association GIS Program Management 7

Mid Atlantic Chapter of the Urban and Regional 3D Geospatial Best Practices 7

Information Systems Association Mid Atlantic Chapter of the Urban and Regional Quality Management and Intro to Association Information Systems Issue Tracking 7

Geographic Information Systems GIS Terminology 8

Geographic Information Systems Remote Sensing Terminology 8

Geographic Information Systems Introduction to Remote Sensing 8

Geographic Information Systems Deformation Monitoring and Control Surveying 8

Geographic Information Systems The Electronic Digital Level 8

Geographic Information Systems Photogrammetric Mapping 8

Geographic Information Systems Direct Leveling 8

Geographic Information Systems Image Interpretation and Analysis 8

_ Geographic Information Systems Land Surveying Safety Manual 8

Geographic Information Systems Construction Layout No. 1 – 8

Geographic Information Systems Remote Sensing Applications 8

Geographic Information Systems Field Astronomy 8

Geographic Information Systems Minimum Standards Detail Requirement For ALTA/MINIMUM Land Title Surveys 8

Geographic Information Systems Construction Layout No. 5 – Maximizing Tract Areas Using Different Costs of Fencing Materials 8

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Geographic Information Systems Construction Layout No. 4 – Maximizing Tract Areas Using A Fixed Amount of Fencing 8

Geographic Information Systems Professional Ethics for the Construction Surveyor 8

Pennsylvania Society of LS Using Robots, GPS and Reference Stations In an Integrated Process to Increase Productivity 6.5

Pennsylvania Society of LS Your Hidden Treasure Chest: Copyrights and You! 6.5

Geographic Information Systems The Electronic Digital Level 8

NJAES - Office of Continuing Professional Education - Rutgers University Soil Erosion and Sediment Control for Designers 17

Garden State Land Surveyors Alliance, Inc. Terms & Definitions Used in Land Surveying 24

Lorman Business Center, Inc. The Development Approval Process 7

NJAES - Office of Continuing Professional Advanced Wetland Delineation 14

Education - Rutgers University NJAES - Office of Continuing Professional Introduction to Wetland Identification 7.5

Education - Rutgers University NJAES - Office of Continuing Professional Vegetation ID South 14

Education - Rutgers University NJAES - Office of Continuing Professional Hydrology of Wetlands 8

Education - Rutgers University NJ Society of Municipal Engineers Municipal Land Use Planning: and Land 5

Surveying - Administrative Code Update
And Cooperation and Communication
With the Municipal Engineer

Peter Lazio Constraining Network Adjustments to OPUS-RS Coordinate Observations 6

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

General Report

ED Russo reported the administrative delays which are occurring as a result of the hiring freeze and the recent loss of several staff members.

ED Russo announced as a reminder that the National Council of Examinations for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) is holding their 87th Annual Meeting on August 13-16, 2008 in Minneapolis, MN.

BM Frantz informed the Board that nominations will be taken at the April 3, 2008 Board meeting for President and Vice-President.

BM Purcell reported that the Department of Environmental Protection is rejecting documents which exclude full license numbers. This matter was tabled.

VP Valenti discussed the Board's prior request to send a letter to all the examination candidates whose grades were not released pending investigation into examination irregularities and asked that the Board Office follow-up to make sure that the applicants were notified of the grades by the Board Office and, further, were licensed, if they passed, or advised that they could sit for the next examination, if they failed.

Incoming Correspondence

James H. Waltz (Response to Board's request)
Re: 13:40-5.1, Land Surveyors; preparation of land surveys (d)1 and (d)3.
January 16, 2008

Mr. Waltz has requested a clarification regarding boundary markers that are not actual corners of the survey, and those markers that are corner markers.

This matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Outgoing Correspondence

Laura Kepner
Re: Ethics Question
January 29, 2008

Ms. Kepner requested clarification of an article published by the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) regarding a case study on ethics.

This correspondence was noted for the record.

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS:

Andrew J. Desiderio, Jr.

The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, second by BM Vernick, voted to approve Mr. Desiderio's application for reinstatement.

Xavier F. Gonzalez

The Board, on a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Purcell, voted to approve Mr. Gonzalez's application for reinstatement.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

The Board, on a motion by BM Purcell, second by BM Marshall, voted unanimously to approve the following applications:

NAME APPLICATION # PE/EIT DECISION

E. LEISTER 1148682 PE/EXAM TAKE F&P

D.LAZARZ 1280478 COMITY GRANT
J. ROBINSON 1280489 COMITY GRANT
T. COONEY 1297001 PE/EXAM TAKE P
C. HUMPHRIES 1294267 PE/EXAM TAKE P
M. FAGERSTEN 1259959 PE/EXAM TAKE F&P
A. PISANI 1297301 PE/EXAM TAKE F&P
G. MANILLO 1297821 PE/EXAM TAKE P
A. ROPHAIEL 1298651 PE/EXAM TAKE P
J. WITTHOHN 1296932 PE/EXAM TAKE P
R. LANCER 1297383 PE/EXAM TAKE P
S. BOUGACHA 1286091 EIT-WAIVER TAKE F
F.BAUTISTA 1146700 PE/EXAM TAKE P
Z. ALBANNA 1297316 EIT TAKE F

NAME APPLICATION # PE/EIT DECISION

J. ARKADIUSz 1116794 LS AIN

A.I.N. = Additional Information Needed

CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION

On a motion by BM Frantz, second by BM Jones, the Board voted to approve the following

Certificates of Authorization:

LAND CONTROL SERVICES

620 Wardell Street
Long Branch, NJ 07740
Application # 1071411

DIXON ASSOCIATES ENGINEERING, LLC

335 E. Jimmie Leeds Roads
Galloway, NJ 08205
Application #1317935

AFFILIATED ENGINEERS, INC.

5802 Research Park Blvd.
Madison, WI 53719
Application # 1317963

ENDICOTT ENGINEERING, LLC

23 Main Street
Port Republic, NJ 08241
Application # 1317983

SCETORP, LLC

8 Tower Bridge, Ste. 760
161 Washington Street
Conshohocken, PA 19428
Application # 1318906

M ENGINEERING, INC.

700 Brooksedge Blvd.
Westerville, OH 43081

Application # 1318916

LAWRENCEVILLE ENGINEERING GROUP, LLC

18 Tamar Court

Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

Application # 1319787

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles Blumeling, PE, PLS spoke about changing the job title names for individuals working for local municipalities and for the State. He also stated that all topography should be done only by a professional land surveyor.

Charles "Chip" Adamson, PLS, the new President of the New Jersey Society of Professional Land Surveyors, spoke about a plan to build coalitions among the various professional societies.

MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board, on a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Vernick, 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 Frantz, second by BM Vernick, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:00pm.

APPROVED BY:

James K. Valenti, PE, Esq.
Vice-President

Arthur Russo
Executive Director