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CALL TO ORDER

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

Absent: None

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

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

February 17, 2011 - (For information purposes)

The Board noted the minutes of February 17, 2011 for the record.

March 17, 2011 - (Review)

After reviewing the minutes of March 17, 2011, the Board on a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Marshall, voted to approve them as amended. BM Schwartz abstained.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

The Board, on a motion by BM Frantz, second by BM Schwartz, unanimously voted to close the nominations for President by nominating VP Valenti, PE.

The Board, on a motion by BM Frantz, second by BM Cleary, unanimously voted to close the nominations for Vice-President by nominating Perry Schwartz, PE.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Board, on a motion by BM Frantz, second by BM Vernick, unanimously voted to accept the nominations of James K. Valenti, PE, as President and Perry Schwartz, PE, as Vice-President.

The newly elected officers will assume their responsibilities commencing May 1, 2010.

APPEARANCES

Appearance - Paul L. McCall, PE, Exam Applicant # 1450262

Mr. McCall appeared before the Board to discuss his application for licensure as a professional engineer. On a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Schwartz, the Board voted to approve Mr. McCall to sit for the principles and practices portion of the professional examinations in April 2012.

Appearance - Mehmet Ozyemisci, PE Exam Applicant # 1450262

Mr. Ozyemisci appeared before the Board to discuss his application for licensure as a professional engineer. Upon further review of his application the Board determined that Mr. Ozyemisci will need to provide three (3) examples of design experience or descriptions thereof, covering a 2 year period of time for further review.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

General Report

Acting Executive Director, Joseph Grabowy, informed the Board that Professional Credential Services (PCS) has reported a few incidences which occurred at the examination sites held on April 4, 5, 2011. A formal report is expected from NCEES addressing these issues. BM Marshall was in attendance at the West Trenton site.

Acting Executive Director Joseph Grabowy informed the Board that Metro Scanning is moving closer to reviewing the work process for the board of professional engineers. The Board discussed this matter and requested that Metro Scanning meet with the Board to discuss scanning of the agenda and monthly meeting documents.

Actg. E.D. Grabowy reported to the board that the updating of the list of professional engineers and land surveyors by municipalities is complete based upon those responding. While second requests have been sent out some towns have not responded.

Acting Executive Director Grabowy stated that the Division of Consumer Affairs has changed its policy on all non-medical related Board applications to exclude the "Medical Sections" portion thereof. This Board's standard application form will be amended accordingly.

A handout for pending legislation for S2805 was handed out. This bill would exempt municipal code enforcement officials from taking the national home inspector examination in order to become licensed as home inspectors. All other requirements would still have to be met, i.e. (140 hours of education, and 40 hours of field based inspections). On a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Schwartz, the Board opposed this legislation since the code enforcement officials do not have the same education and credentials to permit the exemption.

Acting E.D. Grabowy stated that Elizabeth Greenblatt will review the draft continuing education regulation with the Board at the conclusion of today's meeting.

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Steven Schreiner, Ph.D., PE **Recused: BM's Purcell and Valenti**
March 25, 2011
Re: Question regarding a new degree at The College of New Jersey

Mr. Schreiner requested the Board's approval for students pursuing a degree in biomedical engineering to take the EIT examination, prior to ABET accreditation.

The Board discussed this matter and on a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Vernick, voted to advise Dr. Schreiner that the Board allows Juniors and Seniors to sit for the fundamentals of engineering (EIT) exam, pursuant to its regulations. Further, students must comply with that regulation and submit an application to the Board together with all required documents. However, prior to issuance of an engineer-in-training certificate, his/her education must be reviewed and approved by the Board. Finally, the Board requested to be kept informed of the status of the ABET accreditation of this program.

Paul D. LaPierre, PE, PLS, PP, Chair, NJSPE Continuing Ed. Sub-Committee
April 4, 2011
Re: Approval Process for Continuing Education Professional Development Hours

Mr. LaPierre has several questions and concerns regarding the approval of continuing education courses.

Mr. LaPierre will be advised that his correspondence will be referred to the continuing education committee working on a proposed regulation for further consideration. He will also be advised that he may also comment on the proposed regulation on continuing education for professional engineers when it is published in the New Jersey Register.

Brian McDevitt, PE
March 21, 2011

Re: Continuing Education

Mr. McDevitt, PE, has requested an extension of time to complete his engineering continuing education, and to determine if any courses satisfy both the engineering and home inspector requirements.

This matter was discussed and based on the information presented, the Board denied his request for a waiver. In addition, this will be referred to the Home Inspection Advisory Committee for review.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

George T. Lucas, II, PLS, PP, Garden State Land Surveyors Alliance, Inc.
Re: Regarding his comments to the Board's administrative rules
April 5, 2011

This correspondence was noted for the record.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Standing Committees:

Applications:

No report

Legislation & Regulations Committee:

S2805 - Permits issuance of Home Inspector licenses to certain Code Enforcement officials.

The Board discussed this bill and on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Schwartz voted to oppose this bill, as noted above.

Education Committee:

No report.

Meetings Committee

No report.

Joint Committee of Architects & Engineers

No report.

Continuing Education

On a motion by BM Purcell, second by BM Vernick, the Board voted to approve the attached list of continuing education courses for **Professional Engineers** with exceptions:

Exceptions:

On a motion by BM Smith, second by BM Cleary, the Board voted to approve the attached list of continuing education courses for **Professional Land Surveyors**.

b. Ad Hoc Committees:

Sunset Regulations:

The comment period for the proposed regulations ends May 6, 2011.

NCEES Reports

BM Purcell informed the Board that he and BM Smith will be attending the Northeast Zone meeting on May 19-21, 2011 in Annapolis, MD.

BM Purcell discussed an article in the Licensure Exchange Magazine.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

Licensure:

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Application #</u>	<u>Comity/Exam.</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Adomshick, Bonnie	1549424	Comity	Grant License
Albrecht, Rachel	1536999	Comity	Grant License
Apaydin, Faruk	1461820	Comity	Grant License
Bartoy, Robert	1553956	Comity	Grant License
Beachy, David	1482355	Comity	Grant License
Brzycki, Drew	1541992	Exam.	Take P
Caballero, David	1214771	Comity	Grant License
Capilli, Lisa	1506732	Exam.	Take FE
Carter, Nicholas	1551083	Comity	Grant License
Changlee, Victor	1523048	Comity	AIN
Chapin, Justin	1550974	Comity	AIN
Chen, Hongteng	1548733	Exam.	AIN
Cleaton, Jr., Frank	1542100	Comity	Grant License

Collison, Lindon	1528307	Exam.	AIN
Cotter, Michael	1483901	Comity	AIN
DeLuca, James	1496814	Comity	AIN
Emert, Steven	1199494	Comity	AIN
Finkbeiner, David	1550770	Comity	AIN
Gerasopoulos, Michael	1534677	Comity	Grant License
Gerhardt, Philip	1538931	Exam.	Take P
Ghazizadeh, Roya	1546394	Exam.	Take P
Gilbert, Kenneth	1548781	Comity	AIN
Goff, Herb	1555766	Comity	Grant License
Graveling, Mark	1554557	Comity	AIN
Guran, Refik	1546031	Comity	AIN
Haiferty, John	1551102	Comity	Grant License
Hartley, Paul	1478839	Comity	Grant License
Henning, Brian	1555954	Comity	Grant License
Horgan, John	1553095	Comity	Grant License
Hu, Shuang	1552386	Comity	Grant License
Inga, Andrew	1550810	Comity	AIN
Irving, John	1482342	Comity	AIN
James, Gary	1550933	Comity	Grant License
Jariwala, Vishal	1550419	Exam.	Take P
Jaworski, Kenneth	1231663	Comity	Grant License
Karl, Stephen	1552375	Comity	Grant License
Keels, Floyd	1552415	Comity	Grant License
Klemz, James	1553158	Comity	Grant License
Kline, Michael	1530380	Comity	AIN
Knudsen, Troy	1553969	Comity	Grant License
Lanning Joshua	1478831	Exam.	Take P
Lee, Robert	1540262	Comity	Grant License
Lembersky, Leonid	1480554	Comity	Grant License
Ludlow, Scott	1495559	Comity	Grant License
Luther, Thaddeus	1542002	Comity	Grant License
Lutley, Lionel	1554542	Comity	AIN
Meenedez, Marco	1552365	Comity	Grant License
Mercedez, Francis	1541168	Comity	AIN
Moawad, Rafik	1534941	Comity	Grant License
Muniz, Edgardo	1530433	Comity	AIN
Nader, Marwan	1551623	Comity	AIN
Niemira, James	1525073	Comity	AIN
Ozyemisci, Mehmet	1358763	Exam.	AIN
Patel, Jatendra	1473487	Exam.	Take FE
Patel, Nathel	1552642	Comity	Grant License
Patsy, Blake	1551100	Comity	Grant License
Pedros, Philip	1553009	Comity	Grant License
Penman, III, Robert	1497791	Comity	AIN
Piccolo, Anthony	1528387	Exam.	Take P
Pini, Janella	1467900	Exam.	AIN
Plank, William	1553937	Comity	AIN
Ponsi, Adam	1498205	Comity	Grant License
Powasnik, Mark	1420215	Comity	Grant License
Quiambao, Rodolfo	1537262	Comity	Grant License
Reigle, Jennifer	1523037	Comity	Grant License
Ringler, Scott	1555807	Comity	Grant License
Rux, Kenneth	1540272	Comity	Grant License
Scott, Thomas	1555835	Comity	AIN

Seemuller, Marinna	1512727	Exam.	AIN
Shah, Hemalkumar	1516017	Comity	AIN
Shah, Rejendra	1485149	Comity	AIN
Shenoda, Mark	1499761	Exam.	Take F & P
Sheth Pavankumar	1249074	Exam.	Take P
Sipple, Matthew	1498934	Exam.	Take FLS & PLS
Sood, Ravi	1509367	Exam.	Waive F & Take P
Souza, Francis	1473268	Comity	Grant License
Spiller, Graham	1546375	Comity	Grant License
Stone, Michael	1545973	Comity	Grant License
Streeter, Bradley	1552629	Comity	Grant License
Swatta, Mrk	1545340	Comity	AIN
Szatkowski, Richard	1558524	Comity	Grant License
Tokal-Ahmed, Yahia	1548814	Exam.	Take P
Ural, Ryan	1545893	Comity	AIN
Villarroel, Silvain	1542004	Exam.	Take F & P
Whalen, Kelly	1379393	Comity	Grant License
Wieseler, Brian	1541151	Comity	AIN
Wyatt, Robert	1550737	Comity	Grant License

AIN: Additional Information Needed.

Full Board Review: (Included above)

Michael Stone, Application #1545973

The Board reviewed a information provided by Mr. Stone in connection with a criminal conviction and determined not to take any action and grant his application for licensure.

John Carmona, Application #1561829

The Board reviewed a reference in connection with the above application. As a result, the Board will request that the applicant obtain another reference from a professional engineer supervisor.

CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATIONS:

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

<p>S.M. HAW ASSOCIATES, INC. 2285 East Enterprise Parkway Twinsburg, OH 44087 Application # 1569419</p>	<p>STEVEN WINTER ASSOCIATES, INC. 307 Seventh Avenue New York, NY 10001 Application # 1571088</p>
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HANDEX CONSULTING & REMEDIATION-NE, LLC 30941 Suneagle Drive Mount Dora, FL 32757 Application #1571084	THE TRI-M GROUP, LLC 204 Gale Lane P.O. Box 69 Kennett Square, PA 19348 Application # 1566669
FX BONNES ASSOCIATES, LLC 98 Lacrue Avenue Glen Mills, PA 19342 Application # 1571078	CLARK DIETRICH ENGINEERING SERVICES, LLC 330 Greenwood Place, 2 nd Fl. McDonough, GA 30253 Application 1571075
DESTEK ENGINEERING, LLC 3935 Nemours Trail NW Kennesaw, GA 30152 Application # 1571071	WRIGHT-PIERCE 99 Main St. Topsham, ME 04086 Application # 1574620
AMERICAN ELECTRICAL TESTING CO., INC. 480 Neponset St., Bldg. 3 Canton, NJ 02021 Application #1574624	MANNO SURVEYING INC. 543 Post Avenue Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 Application #1569403
2 COM GROUP, LLC 48 Parkview Drive Succasunna, NJ 07876 Application # 1574652	R. W. LEE SURVEYOR, LLC 126 West Main Street, Rte. 513 High Bridge, NJ 08829 Application #1575485

CLOSED CASES:

The following cases were closed at today's Board meeting:

1. Item: 75455 /11-04-Chester T. Vogel, PE
2. Item: 75809/11-07 -Jeffrey J. Careaga, PE
3. Item: 75949/11-08 -David Walsh, PE
4. Item: 75948/11-09- Mark McNeilly, PE
5. Item: 70944/10-18-Robert A. Horvath, PLS

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

The following informational/discussion items were all noted for the record.

- a. NCEES news releases and link to PBS Spotlight on Surveying video.
- b. First Ever Professional Credential Services, Inc. Connects Newsletter!
- c. NSPE - Digital Signatures Slowly Catching On
- d. Question Marks Surround Transportation Funding

- e. 16 Contract Provisions You Need to Know
- f. Growth Spurt - The Growing Pool of Four Engineering Disciplines
- g. Washington Lawmakers Consider Mandatory Continuing Education
- h. APELSCIDLA March Newsletter

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles Blumeling, PE, PLS, spoke about the news article concerning the Louis Berger Group.

Charles Bell, President Elect - NJSPE, spoke about his organization awarding college scholarships to students pursuing a degree in land surveying.

Joseph Donato, GSLSA, spoke about the review of continuing education courses.

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 in the Executive Session minutes, the Board re-entered into Public Session to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Purcell, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 pm.

APPROVED BY:

Barry S. Jones
President

Joseph P. Grabow
Acting Executive Director