

STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
AND LAND SURVEYORS
Minutes of October 2, 2008
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 Barry Jones
James Purcell Lawrence Koo
Michael Angeline Robert Marshall
James Cleary Perry Schwartz
Richard Frantz Edward Vernick

Absent: None

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislation

BM Vernick updated the Board on the following bill:

A1824/S136 - Requirements for licensure as a land surveyor. This bill was withdrawn. Joint Committee

BP Valenti reported that the Joint Committee meeting was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items.

Contract Renewal Committee

On a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Marshall, the Board voted to send a notice to David Szuchman, Director, expressing its concerns regarding issues on the contract waiver/extension for the October 2008 examination, the public bidding of the new contract and the contract for the April 2009 examination.

ARE Review Committee

At its September 4, 2008 meeting, the Board voted to take the position that the divisions entitled "plans and programming practice" and "construction document division services" are not related to site and building design as required by the statute.

VP Purcell advised the Board that the Board's determination had been memorialized in writing and provided to the regulatory analyst.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

General Report

ED Russo informed the Board that the principles and practices examinations will be conducted on Friday, October 24, 2008 and the fundamentals examinations will be conducted on Saturday, October 25, 2008. He also reported that the exams will be held at the West Trenton and NJIT sites.

The Board requested that the website posting of the Certificate of Authorization notice be revised to remove the last paragraph in order to accurately reflect that the renewal period had not been extended.

The Board discussed the signing and sealing of documents as required by the NJDEP and on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Angeline, concluded that all original documents submitted must be manually signed and that all documents must contain a raised seal.

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

David J. Egarian, PE

Re: Interpretation of Rules governing the Practice of Professional Engineering
September 10, 2008

Mr. Egarian requests clarification of the rules regarding topographic surveys.

After reviewing this correspondence, the Board voted to send to him a copy of its Notice published in the New Jersey Register regarding topographic surveys.

Lesley Rosier-Tabor, PE, Executive Director, WV Board of Engineers

Re: Call for 2008-2009 NE Zone "Enny" Award Nominations
September 15, 2008

ED Rosier-Tabor has submitted a request to all NCEES Northeast Zone Board members for potential award nominations.

After reviewing this matter, the Board, on a motion by BM Vernick second by BM Angeline, voted to resubmit the name of Louis Raimondi, PE, PLS.

Jerry Carter, Executive Director, NCEES

Re: Education Initiative
August 21, 2008

Mr. Carter provided the Council's concerns regarding the increase in the education requirements to qualify for licensure as a professional engineer.

The Board requested that the staff obtain the attachment discussed in the correspondence from the NCEES website for further review at its next meeting.

Jerry Carter, Exec. Dir., NCEES

Re: Going Green
September 11, 2008

NCEES President Rebane provided an article concerning a proposal to amend state statutes to promote green designs for future school construction.

This correspondence was noted for the record.

Jerry Carter, Exec. Dir., NCEES
Re: Board Minutes and Guidelines
August 27, 2008

Executive Director Carter submitted the final report on the August 2008 NCEES Annual Meeting held in Minnesota.

This correspondence was noted for the record.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

A list of letters previously sent by the Board staff in response to incoming correspondence was noted for the record.

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

The Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Marshall, voted unanimously as follows:

NAME APPLICATION # TYPE DECISION

Anilkumar Ramasagaram 50422 Exam Take F&P
Joseph Freglette 933476 Exam AIN
Robert Ziegenfuss 1122149 Comity AIN
Rasiah Surethiran 1139986 Exam AIN
Eric Miller 1150643 Exam AIN
Eugene Krenitsyn 1260664 Comity Grant License
Georgianne Spiers-Bachman 1263835 Exam AIN
Ronald M. Jezerinac Jr. 1270409 Comity AIN
Judith O'Brien 1272622 Comity AIN
Ferdinand Abella 1284030 Comity Grant License
George Sigalos 1286042 Comity Grant License
James Busha 1287891 Comity AIN
Roland Paradis Jr. 1289612 Comity Take F
Keith Abt 1296877 Exam Take P
Jose Betances 1297557 Exam Take P
John Villapiano 1297812 Exam Take P
Anyika Azuka 1297955 Comity Grant License
Juston Hasz 1304615 Comity AIN
Ronald Lipham 1304624 Comity AIN
Robert Rynar 1310553 Comity Grant License
Clay Willis 1310605 Comity AIN
Bernard Kalus 1312519 Comity Grant License
Ryan Kern 1312830 Comity Grant License
Curtis Grievson 1313520 Comity Grant License
Romulo Lakip Jr. 1313526 Comity AIN
David Graham 1323746 Comity AIN
Alan Wikander 1326167 Exam Take P
Jerry Fisher 1326736 Comity Grant License
Brian Mannino 1327164 Exam Take P
James Henderson 1327179 Comity Grant License
Nicholas Able 1329133 Exam Take P
Brent Gabby 1329152 Comity Grant License
Brian Cooper 1329434 Exam Appearance
George Mohrman 1329790 Exam Take F & P
Jonathan Dilauro 1329942 Exam Take P

Dylan Ryan 1330695 Exam Take P
Brian Friedlich 1330702 Exam AIN
Patrick Kennedy 1330709 Exam Take P
Joseph Kavalus 1331360 Exam AIN
Gerard Salernitano 1331463 Exam Take P
Wallace Jensen 1332491 Comity Grant License
Vijay Puppala 1333457 Comity AIN
Ryan Roy 1337610 Comity Grant License
Robert McSorley 1337617 Comity Grant License
Paris Tabor 1337660 Comity Grant License
Alexander Duran 1337667 Comity AIN
Bradley Summerville 1337680 Exam Take P
Joseph Boris 1339039 Exam AIN
Bablu Kazi 1342667 Comity AIN
Ruihan Kang 1347505 Exam AIN
Nicholas Cammarata 1353295 Exam AIN
Ho-Jen Chueng 1330202 Exam Take P
Vita Wa Ngungo 1329798 Exam AIN
Jere Murdoch 1320237 Exam AIN
Mahmudur Rahman 1304606 Exam AIN
Christopher Wolfe 1284035 Comity Grant License
Sai Lo 1315938 Comity Grant License

A.I.N. = Additional Information Needed

CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION

The Board, on a motion by BM Frantz, second by BM Angeline, voted to approve the following Certificates of Authorization:

FIRST ORDER, LLC
1700 Sullivan Trail, Ste. 3
Easton, PA 18040
Application # 1358147

AMERICAN SURVEYING & MAPPING, INC.
1030 N. Orlando Ave., Ste. B
Winter Park, FL 32789
Application #1367728

HUSKIES ENGINEERING, LLC
5108 Ravens Crest Dr., East
Plainsboro, NJ 08536
Application # 1367717

ENVISION ENGINEERING, LLC
1260 South River Road
Cranbury, NJ 08512
Application # 1367723

GALLETTA ENGINEERING CORPORATION
1300 Penn Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
Application # 1350703

CORROSION PROBE, INC.
12 Industrial Park Road
Mahwah, NJ 07430
Application # 1367844

CENTURION INDUSTRIES, INC.
1107 N. Taylor Road
Garrett, IN 46738
Application # 1358192

HAYWARD BAKER, INC.
1130 Annapolis Road, Ste. 202
Odenton, MD 21113
Application # 1358208

PIKE ELECTRIC, INC. d/b/a PIKE ENERGY SOLUTIONS, INC.
100 Pike Way
Mount Airy, NC 27030
Application # 1367858

DISTINCT ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS, INC.
2 Stallion Way
North Brunswick, NJ 08902
Application # 1367889

DAVINCI ENGINEERING, INC.
910 E. Stowell Road, Ste. 114
Santa Maria, CA 93454
Application # 138268

FULL BOARD REVIEW

Robert Posch, Application #1294287

After discussing this application the Board on a motion by BM Purcell second by BM Vernick, requested that Mr. Posch appear before the Board in order to discuss his breakdown of experience between design and other engineering work.

George John Mohrman, Application #1329790

After discussing this application the Board on a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Vernick, denied Mr. Mohrman's request for a waiver of the fundamentals of engineering examination since he failed to demonstrate 15 years of qualified experience and, further, approved him to take the fundamentals and principles and practices of engineering examinations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles Blumeling, PE, PLS discussed a news article regarding the zoning of larger homes. He also discussed A2735 which would prohibit employment and licensing background checks to go back further than seven years under certain circumstances.

Patrick Fatton, PLS, representing the NJSPLS, agreed with the Board's position regarding the signing and sealing of documents.

MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board, on a motion by VP Purcell, 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 VP Purcell the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:00pm.

APPROVED BY:

James K. Valenti, P.E.
President

Arthur Russo
Executive Director