

STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS  
AND LAND SURVEYORS  
Minutes of October 16, 2008  
Public Session

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was called to order by President 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**

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 Edward Vernick Richard Frantz Perry Schwartz

Absent: None

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

**REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

September 4, 2008

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

**September 18, 2008**

On a motion by BM Vernick, seconded by BM Angeline, the Board voted to accept the minutes as submitted.

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Executive Director Russo stated that the professional examinations will be held on October 24 and 25, 2008 at NJIT and the West Trenton Fire House.

ED Russo stated that website posting of the Certificate of Authorization notice was revised to remove the last paragraph in order to accurately reflect that the renewal period had not been extended.

The Board reviewed and approved the draft letter to Thomas Micai of the NJDEP concerning the signing and sealing of plans.

ED Russo stated that Kenneth W. Dietel, Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property, Purchase Bureau, is continuing to work on the contract documents in connection with future examinations. Further, during a meeting with a Committee of the Board, ED Russo and June Levy, Director of Administration, Ms. Levy advised that she is handling the waiver for the October 2008 examination and assumes all responsibility regarding this matter.

## **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

James D. Kelly, Esq, PE  
Re: NJDEP Requirement for Original Signatures on Drawings  
September 29, 2008

Mr. Kelley requests clarification from the Board regarding the need to sign all drawings. The Board noted his correspondence for the record.

Timothy S. Guisewhite, PLS  
Re: NJIT Surveying Degree Program in New Jersey  
September 26, 2008

Mr. Guisewhite provides his concerns, including the education requirement, in order to be licensed as a land surveyor in New Jersey.

The Board reviewed this matter and on a motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Schwartz, voted to advise him that he must meet the statutory education requirements. He shall also be advised that an ABET accredited degree in land surveying of four years or more is acceptable. Finally, Mr. Guisewhite shall be advised that only a licensed land surveyor can use "PLS" or its derivative in New Jersey.

Ann Kaye  
Re: Land Survey Rules  
October 1, 2008

Ms. Kaye asks whether there is a law regarding obtaining copies of a survey with raised seals.

After discussing this matter, the Board on a motion by BM Angeline, second by BM Cleary, voted to inform her that she should review N.J.A.C. 13:40-3.4 which deals with the release of project records and the signing and sealing of copies.

## **LIST OF OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

This list of outgoing correspondence from the last meeting was noted for the record.

## **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

The Board on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Vernick, voted unanimously to take the following actions:

Omar Elsherif 963458 Comity Grant License  
Timothy O'Brien 1287967 Comity Grant License  
John Vilapiano 1297812 Exam Take P  
Natalie Warner 1298005 Comity Grant License  
Ersin Gercek 1309004 Exam Take P  
Robert Kain 1309040 Comity Grant License  
David Pollock 1309093 Comity Grant License  
Brian Pearson 1316516 Comity Grant License  
Jack Hembree 1318919 Comity Grant License  
Gary Leesman 1320374 Exam Take P  
Willis M. Hadlock Jr. 1327238 Comity Grant License  
George Mohrman 1329790 Exam Take F & P  
Siddika Pasi 1330206 Exam Take P  
Michael Narus 1330689 Exam Take P  
Patrick Kennedy 1330709 Exam Take P

Zayibeth Carballo 1330711 Exam Take P  
Brian Rinke 1333520 Comity Grant License  
William Larson 1344358 Comity Grant License  
Preston Roberts Jr. 1350125 Exam Take F  
Pedro Sifre 1353289 Comity Grant License  
Derek Cronin 1355141 Comity Grant License  
Riley Mahaffey 1355150 Comity Grant License  
Jeffrey Durand 1356361 Comity Grant License  
Candice McCouch 1358820 Comity Grant License

The Board on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Vernick, voted unanimously to request additional information :

Sowri Rajan 1249131 Comity AIN  
Neal O'Connor 1256690 Comity AIN  
Sam Khalileh 1273064 Comity AIN  
Mushtaq Nasim 1280442 Comity AIN  
Ihab Mohamed 1284082 Comity AIN  
Roland Paradis Jr. 1289612 Comity AIN  
Robert Posch 1294287 Comity AIN  
Gale Wright 1296873 Comity AIN  
Gary Cattel 1304600 Comity AIN  
Ronald Gryzik 1304601 Comity AIN  
Kenneth Watters II 1326187 Comity AIN  
Michael Stenstrom 1326188 Comity AIN  
Stepahie Voight 1329942 Exam AIN  
William Goodrich 1330626 Comity AIN  
George Curvan 1331460 Exam AIN  
Kristien Koehlinger 1338766 Comity AIN  
James Skokowski 1344073 Comity AIN  
Liu Zhong 1344260 Comity AIN

A.I.N. = Additional Information Needed

## **CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION**

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

SHAW ENVIRONMENTAL & INFRASTRUCTURE, INC.  
4171 Essen Lane  
Baton Rouge, PA 70810  
Application # 1368849

MG FORGE CONSTRUCTION, LLC  
125 Pompton Plains Crossroads  
Wayne, NJ 07470  
Application #1368842

EDEN ENGINEERING, LLC  
14 Quaker Drive  
East Brunswick, NJ 08816  
Application # 1370834

FD ASSOCIATES SURVEYING, LLC

131 Rowland Avenue  
Clifton, NJ 07012  
Application # 1368760

PETRY ENGINEERING, LLC  
155 Passaic Avenue  
Fairfield, NJ 07004  
Application # 1370833

## **FULL BOARD REVIEW**

Andrew Grant, PE, Applicant #1315916

After reviewing Mr. Grant's application, the Board will advise him that he will need to have his education evaluated by one of the Board's approved evaluation providers and to provide proof of his current licensure.

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

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

Sponsor Course Name PDH

NJSPLS The Doctrine of Merger Analysis & Case Law Study 1

Lorman Education Services The Law of Easements - Legal Issues & Practical Considerations Seminar 7

## **REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS:**

Chi-Tsuen Yang, PE

The Board reviewed Mr. Yang's reinstatement application and, on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Cleary, voted to request additional references from S & B Engineering and, further, that he demonstrate proficiency by providing a more detailed explanation of the work performed for the last 10 years. The Board will also ask if he ever held any other licenses, if he is licensed in any other jurisdictions, and if he is working under the direct supervision of a PE.

Kenneth Earl Gill, PE

The Board reviewed Mr. Gill's reinstatement application and, on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Angeline, voted to request that he provide an affidavit regarding whether he has been disciplined in any other state and if his current licenses are in good standing.

## **INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

News Article - New Demand for Nuclear Skills  
News Article - Software Engineering Is Not Just Programming  
These articles were noted for the record.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chuck Adamson, President, and Patrick Faton, Vice-President, representing the NJSPLS, indicated he would be in attendance at future Board meetings.

## **MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board, on a motion by BM Angeline, 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 Vernick second by BM Angeline, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:00pm.

**APPROVED BY:**

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James K. Valenti, P.E.

President \_\_\_\_\_

Arthur Russo

Executive Director