**Occupational and Professional Licensing**

**District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors**

**1100 4th Street SW; Suite 500**

**Washington, DC 20024**

**June 22, 2023**

**Meeting Minutes**

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The District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, June 22, 2023, 2023, at 11:09 AM. This meeting was held virtually.

**Attendance**

Board Members Present: Mr. Barry Lucas, Chairman, Ms. MaryJean Pajak, Mr. Sam Wilson, Mr. Roland Carter, Mr. Michael McKenna

Board Staff: Ms. Avis Pearson, Board Administrator, Mr. Leon Lewis, Program Coordinator, Ms. Jah-mai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist, Ms. Stephanie Johnston, Program Support Specialist

Legal Counsel: Mr. Justin Orrison, Esq.

Public Guest: Mr. Rick Dreist, Mr. Robinson Blair

**Agenda Item: Comments from the Public**

Mr. Blair inquired about his application. Ms. Pearson will follow up will followed up with him following today’s meeting.

**Agenda Item: Draft Minutes**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Ms. Pajak, the Board voted unanimously to approve the May 23, 2025, meeting minutes.

**Agenda Item: Application Approvals**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Ms. Pajak the Board voted unanimously to approve the June 22, 2023, list administrative-approved Professional Engineers applications for licensure, attached hereto and made a part of the June 22, 2023, minutes.

**Agenda Item: Old Business**

The Board’s subcommittee, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Carter, and Ms. Pearson, met with Ms. McAllister, NCEES Manager of Meetings, to begin the planning of the 2024 NCEES Interim Zone meeting that will be held in Washington, DC. The event will be held in May 2024 at the Mayflower Hotel. This committee will hold it’s second meeting following this meeting. Updates will be provided during the monthly board meetings.

The Board will host a virtual Education Forum in the fall. This Forum will provide licensees an opportunity to obtain CE’s. This forum will offer licensees two continuing education credits for Professional engineers and land surveyors. Ms. Pearson will follow up with Mr. Cyrus to discuss the presenters for the Ethics course.

**Agenda Item: New Business**

Mr. Lucas discussed the Board’s goals for the upcoming year. Some of the goals included outreach to the local colleges and universities to discuss the importance of licensure and encourage students to take their Fundamentals Exam (FE) before graduation and participation in Savoy Elementary School annual career day. Students who take the FE before graduation will be recognized by NCEES with a graduation chord.

The Board has a vacancy for one PE and one LS. Ms. Pearson will work with BEGA to get these vacancies filled.

**Agenda Item: Executive Session** – **(Closed to the Public)**

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (4) (A); D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (9) and 13 to discuss complaints/legal matters, applications, and legal counsel reports.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Mr. McKenna, the Board unanimously voted to enter Executive Session at 11:30am

**Agenda Item: Recommendations**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Mr. McKenna the Board voted to approve Mr. Basquette’s application.

Mr. Orrison gave the Board an update on the case involving Mr. Abdelfathah.

**Agenda Item: Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 12:06pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Barry Lucas, Chairman

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 Date

Recorder/transcriber: Avis Pearson, Board Administrator