



Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration

District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
1100 4th Street SW; Suite 500
Washington, DC 20024

September 26, 2024
Meeting Minutes

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The District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors held its meeting on Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 11:02 am. This meeting was held virtually.

Attendance

Board Members Present: Mr. Barry Lucas, Chairman, Ms. MaryJean Pajak, Vice Chairperson, Mr. Michael Jelen, Mr. Roland Carter, Mr. Michael McKenna

Absent: Dr. Sam Wilson

Board Staff: Ms. Jacqueline Noisette, Deputy Administrator, Ms. Avis Pearson, Board Administrator, Ms. Jah-mai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist, Ms. April Randall, Legislative Director, DLCP, Ms. Nicole Bremstedt, Legislative, and Public Affairs Officer, Mr. Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator

Legal Counsel: Mr. Justin Orrison, Esq

Public Guest: Mr. John Simon, Mr. Simon Reich, Mr. Rick Dreist

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Mr. Simon briefly spoke to the Board regarding his pending application.

Agenda Item: Draft Minutes

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Pajak and properly seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board voted to approve the meeting minutes for 7/25/24.

Agenda Item: Application Approvals

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. McKenna and properly seconded by Ms. Pajak, the Board unanimously voted to approve the administrative approval applications list for September 26, 2024.

Legislative/Rulemaking Updates

There are currently no updates.

Agenda Item: Old Business

Ms. Pearson and Mr. Jelen gave feedback from the 2024 NCEES Annual Meeting. The motion to accept technology degrees was passed. This decision marks a significant step in broadening the pathways for licensure in engineering and surveying.

Mr. Cyrus is finishing up the newsletter. Additional information regarding the even-year license cycle and the required number of continuing education for professional engineers and land surveyors. This information will also be sent out in a mass email to all licensees.

There are currently two land surveyor vacancies on the Board. The Board is also seeking recommendations for one professional engineer.

Agenda Item: New Business

The Board will be transitioning to the ZOOM platform soon for virtual meetings. Trainings are currently being held with DLCP staff. A transition date has not been determined.

The Board of Ethics and Government will offer a training series – “Empowered by Ethics” from October 15-18, 2024. Training sessions will be offered in person and virtually. Registration information has been sent to the Board and staff.

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

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Wilson and properly seconded by Ms. Pajak the Board entered Executive Session at 11:40 am to discuss complaints, legal matters, and applications pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (4) (A); D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (9) and (13).

The Board returned to public session at 1:31 pm

Agenda Item: Recommendations

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. McKenna and properly seconded by Ms. Pajak, the Board voted in the matter of Mr. Alan Money (PE906764) to issue an Informal Admonition due to disciplinary action received by the Louisiana Board. Chairman Lucas abstained from the vote.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. McKenna and properly seconded by Mr. Jelen, the Board voted in the matter of Larry Holloway (PE921630) to issue a Consent Order and impose a civil fine of \$1500 due to practicing on an expired license. Chairman Lucas abstained from the vote.

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Pajak and properly seconded by Mr. McKenna, the Board voted in the matter of Mr. Chris Kim (PE908672) to issue an Informal Admonition due to disciplinary actions received in Oklahoma. Chairman Lucas abstained from the vote.

Upon motion made by Ms. Pajak and properly seconded by Mr. McKenna, the Board voted in the matter of Mr. Weatherer (PE10417) to issue a Consent Order and impose a civil fine of \$2500 due to the stamping of several projects while his license was expired. Chairman Lucas abstained from the vote.

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Pajak and properly seconded by Mr. Jelen in the matter of Mr. John Simon, the Board voted to deny his reinstatement application. The reason for denial will be included in the Notice of Intent to Deny and sent to Mr. Simon. Chairman Lucas abstained from the vote.

The Board is interested in evaluating an addition to our regulations to reference the Code of Ethics from the NCEES Model Law. This will be discussed further during the October meeting as well as establishing a Board Committee.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Carter and properly seconded by Ms. Pajak the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:44 pm.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 24, 2024 @ 11am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Barry Lucas, Chairman

Date

Recorder/transcriber: Avis Pearson, Board Administrator