Open Minutes

State Board of Professional Engineers

Date: July 11, 2018
Convened: 10:01 AM
Adjourned: 12:19 PM

Location: Springfield Office

Members Present: Richard M. Ray, Chair
James P. Schlichting, Vice-Chair
Brian Berg Jr., Member
Kevin Burke III, Member
Gale Jamison, Member
Philip Kunz, Public Member
Benjamin D. Miller, Member
L. Duane Yockey, Member

Member(s) Absent: Charles R. Rayot, Member
John M. Whitt, Member

Staff Present: Kyle Lazell, Design Licensing Manager
Chau Nguyen, IDFPR General Counsel

Guests Present: None.

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM.
The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

I. Announcements, Correspondence, Guest comments

Mr. Ray welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

Mr. Lazell shared that the Design Times quarterly newsletter is now being dispersed to all active licensees for the four design professions (around 35,000 individuals) as well as to a list of non licensed individuals who have requested to receive the newsletter.

He stated that he is going to research and investigate how to ensure that the newsletter is received by code officials in Illinois.

He also asked that two new items be placed on the agenda under new business:

- Review of the VE-PNG form.
- Review of the SE Board’s proposed language to include in the SE Act regarding geotechnical engineering.
II. Review of Open Minutes  
The Board reviewed the Minutes of the May 30, 2018 meeting.

Motion was made, seconded (Jamison/Whitt) and passed to accept the open minutes of the May 30, 2018 meeting as written.

III. Old Business  
No old business.

IV. Report from Subcommittees  
A. Complaint Review Committee/Subcommittee Reports  
None. The next scheduled CRC meeting is scheduled for 7/12/2018.

B. Industrial Exemption Sub-committee  
Mr. Miller stated that there was no new activity at this time.

C. Practice Act review Sub-Committee  
Mr. Yockey shared with the Board that the sub-committee is brainstorming how to reorganize and clarify the wording in Section 4 (o) of the Act.

Mr. Lazell said that he would out a draft together and share with the sub-committee.

Mr. Burke stated that the Act needs to be amended to have specific language pertaining to digital signatures and how they are secured.

V. New Business  
A. NCEES Annual Meeting  
The Board reviewed the proposed motions to be presented at the 2018 Annual NCEES Meeting.

The Board directed Mr. Yockey to listen to all relevant information for each motion and vote in the manner that would best benefit Illinois.
B. TOEFL exam requirement

Mr. Lazell shared with the Board, a clarification from what he stated at the last meeting.

Should the TOEFL exam requirement be stricken from the Act during the Sunset, it would remain in the Administrative Rules.

C. VE-PNG form

The Board reviewed the updated VE-PNG form and commented on a few minor aspects to further clarify on it prior to having it put into circulation.

D. SE Act language

The Board reviewed the language proposed by the SE Board to add to the SE Act regarding geotechnical engineering.

Motion to go into Closed Session:
Motion was made, seconded (Jamison/Miller) and passed to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2C (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:51 am.

VI. Closed Session:

Roll Call:
Richard M. Ray, Chair
James P. Schlichting, Vice-Chair
Brian Berg Jr., Member
Kevin Burke III, Member
Gale Jamison, Member
Philip Kunz, Public Member
Benjamin D. Miller, Member
L. Duane Yockey, Member

A. Review of Closed Minutes
The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the May 30, 2018 meeting.

B. Application Review
The Board reviewed and made recommendations for 22 applications for licensure by examination, restoration, and endorsement.

Motion to go into Open Session:
Motion was made, seconded (Miller/Yockey) and passed to go into Open Session at 12:17 pm.

Recommendations:
Motion was made, seconded (Jamison/Yockey) and passed to accept the recommendations made in Closed Session.
VII. Signatures
   A. Action Sheets
      The Board signed action sheets: 18-0833 through 18-0855
   B. Travel Vouchers

VIII. Adjournment
      Motion was made, seconded (Jamison/Burke) and passed to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:19 pm.