

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
ILLINOIS STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING BOARD MINUTES

Open Minutes

Structural Engineering Board

Date: November 13, 2019
Convened: 9:07 am
Adjourned: 3:36 pm
Location: Springfield Office

Members Present: David R. Bibbs, Chair
Steven E. Bishop, Vice-Chair
Salvatore Di Bernardo, Member
David L. Greifzu, Member
Chad Hodel, Member

Member(s) Absent: David J. Carroll, Member
Gladson Varghese, Public 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 9:07 am.
The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**I. Announcements,
Correspondence,
Guest comments**

Mr. Bibbs thanked everyone for attending, welcomed Mr. Hodel to the Board and requested a summary of his career.

Mr. Hodel stated that he graduated from SIU-Edwardsville with a BS and MS degree in Civil Engineering, worked at IDOT bridge office for 10 years and has been working at WHKS for the past 12 years working mostly on bridge projects. He also shared that he has been part of the NCEES Structural Exam development committee since 2003.

II. Review of Open Minutes

The Board reviewed the Minutes of the July 23, 2019 meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Bishop/Greifzu) and passed to accept the open minutes of the meeting as written.

III. Old Business

**A. Legislative Update
Act/Rules**

Mr. Nguyen shared that the draft for the Rule amendments are still on "hold." He also shared that the Landscape Architect bill looks like it will be re-authorized however we won't know until after the fall veto session.

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**IV. Report from
Subcommittees**

A. Complaint Review
Committee/Subcommittee
Reports

Mr. Bishop reported on the November 7, 2019 meeting. He stated that they reviewed a few interesting complaints for design firm issues and a forgery issue. He also said that several complaints were closed.

Complaint Statistics based on recommendations from the September 11, 2019 meeting:

Architect: Opened 7, Closed 7, Referred 4
PE: Opened 7 Closed 10, Referred 3
LS: Opened 3, Closed 2, Referred 0
SE: Opened 4, Closed 4, Referred 4
PDF: Opened 0, Closed 0, Referred 0

Complaints currently under investigation:
Architect – 34
PE – 45
LS – 13
SE - 14
PDF – 0

Cases currently being prosecuted:
Architect – 5
PE – 17
LS – 9
SE – 2
PDF – 11

V. New Business

A. Election of Officers

Mr. Lazell shared the Board officer term and duty requirements.

Call for nominations for Board Chair. Mr. Di Bernardo nominated Mr. Bibbs to be re-appointed for Chair. Mr. Bibbs accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Bishop/Hodel) to close the nominations for Chair.

Mr. Bibbs was re-elected as Board Chair for 2020.

Call for nominations for Board Vice-Chair. Mr. Greifzu nominated Mr. Hodel to be appointed for Vice-Chair. Mr. Hodel accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Bishop/Greifzu) to close the nominations for Vice-Chair.

Mr. Hodel was elected as Board Vice-Chair for 2020.

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**B. Report from NCEES
Annual Meeting**

Mr. Greifzu reported on the NCEES Annual Meeting.

He stated that it was an interesting meeting and that the business sessions were productive but had varying outcomes for each Motion that was voted on.

In particular, the Education Motion 1 – regarding the inclusion of the ETAC/ABET program into the NCEES educational standard was defeated with a 50/50 split vote by the attending voting delegates.

He also said that the Engineering Forum afforded the members to take part in discussion of several interesting topics:

- PE exam CBT conversion schedule
- ETAC degree acceptance
- Comity/Endorsement issues
- Building Official correspondence

Mr. Lazell shared that the Board Administrator Forum was interesting and provided an opportunity to discuss key topics with other state board executives.

**Motion to go into Closed
Session:**

VI. Closed Session:

Motion was made, seconded (Bishop/Di Bernardo) and passed to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2c (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 12:19 pm.

Roll Call.

The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

A. Review of Closed Minutes

The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the July 23, 2019 meeting.

B. Application Review

The Board reviewed and made recommendations for 27 applications.

**Motion to go into Open
Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Bishop/Hodel) and passed to go into Open Session at 3:33 pm.

Recommendations:

Motion was made, seconded (Greifzu/Bishop) and passed to accept the recommendations made in Closed Session.

VII. Signatures

A. Action Sheets

The Board signed action sheets: 19-1280 through 1306

B. Travel Vouchers

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VIII. Adjournment

Motion was made, seconded (Bibbs/Hodel) and passed to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned at 3:36 pm.