

STATE OF WASHINGTON

BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: February 1, 2021

TIME: 12:30 p.m.

LOCATION: WebEx

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members

Aaron Blaisdell, PLS, Chair Marjorie Lund, PE, SE, Vice Chair Nirmala Gnanapragasam, Ph.D, PE Doug Hendrickson, PE Dave Peden, PE, SE Ivan VanDeWege, PE James Wengler, PLS, CFedS

Staff Members

Ken Fuller, PE, Director Richard Larson, PLS, Deputy Director Carmena Moretti, Executive Assistant Shanan Gillespie, Regulatory Program Manager Vonna Cramer, Licensing Lead

1. Call to Order at 12:38 p.m.

- 1.1. Mr. Blaisdell, Board Chair, took roll call.
- 1.2. Order of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Hendrickson, and seconded by Ms. Gnanapragasam, to accept the agenda with the amendment of changing the date of the previous minutes to December *10*, 2020. Motion carried.

1.3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Hendrickson, and seconded by Ms. Lund, to accept the December 10, 2020 meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried.

1.4. Public Comment Opportunity

None Provided

2. New Business

2.1. Legislative Bill Review

The Board discussed taking positions on proposed legislation and developed a process for legislative bill review.

A motion was made by Mr. Hendrickson, and seconded by Mr. Peden, to have BRPELS' Executive Committee and the Director provide gateway review for proposed legislation. The full Board shall approve positions other than neutral. Motion carried.

Ms. Gillespie provided an update on the current legislation being tracked and went over an updated legislative report.

- 2.1.1. Surveying related
- 2.1.2. Engineering related
- 2.1.3. Professional licensing
- 2.1.4. Agency Administrative
- 2.1.5. Agency Budget bills

The Board discussed SB 5243 – Creating efficiency in housing by streamlining approval of engineered plans.

A motion was made by Ms. Lund, and seconded by Mr. VanDeWege, directing Mr. Fuller to prepare a memo to SB 5243 bill sponsors explaining why the Board initially entered an opposing position and declaring its move to a neutral position.

Due to the potential public health and safety issues regarding SB 5243 the Board asked Mr. Fuller to track the legislation carefully and report back with any updates. (Action)

3. Adjourn Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Hendrickson, and seconded by Mr. VanDeWege, to adjourn the meeting at 2:07 p.m. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: February 18, 2021 – Special Board Meeting

Respectfully submitted

Ken Fuller, PE, Director