



STATE OF WASHINGTON
BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 16, 2020

TIME: 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: WebEx

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members

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

Staff Members

Elizabeth Lagerberg, Advising AAG
Ken Fuller, PE, Executive Director
Richard Larson, Deputy Director
Shanan Gillespie, Regulatory Program Manager
Jill Short, Investigations & Compliance Manager
Carmena Moretti, Executive Assistant
Vonna Cramer, Licensing Lead

1. Call to Order at 8:07 a.m.

1.1. Mr. VanDeWege, Board Chair, took roll call.

1.2. Order of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Blaisdell, and seconded by Ms. Lund to accept the agenda.
Motion carried.

1.3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Gnanapragasam, and seconded by Mr. Wengler to accept the February 13, 2020 meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Shrope, and seconded by Mr. Blaisdell, to accept the March 26, 2020 meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

2. New Business

2.1. The Board discussed remote signing and processing of documents by licensees, agencies, and firms in light of Governor Inslee's '[Stay Home, Stay Healthy](#)' emergency order.

Mr. Fuller agreed to develop a response for posting on the [BRPELS website](#) and to use when staff receive questions from the public. Ms. Lagerberg will review the response prior to posting. (Action) ([WAC 196-23-070 Signature](#))

2.2. The Board discussed spring On-Site and PLS state specific exams.

A motion was made by Mr. Blaisdell, and seconded by Mr. Wengler to postpone the spring On-Site and PLS state specific exams indefinitely while the Board continues to explore alternatives for administering the exams. Motion carried.

Mr. Fuller and Mr. Larson committed to making this a top priority and will continue to work with the ad hoc committee regarding methods of administering the exams. (Action)

A motion was made by Mr. Hendrickson, and seconded by Ms. Lund to allow Mr. Fuller to request an essential business designation for the state specific exams. Motion carried.

3. Adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

Next Meeting: May 14, 2020 – Special Board Meeting

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Fuller', is written over a horizontal line.

Ken Fuller, PE, Interim Director