

PRACTICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 7, 2022 – 1:30 p.m.

BRPELS Office-Olympia & Microsoft Teams (Virtual)

Committee

Dave Peden, PE, SE, Chair

Doug Hendrickson, PE

James Wengler, PLS, CFedS

Guest(s)

Tom Barger, PLS

Staff

Ken Fuller, PE, Director

Rich Larson, PLS, Deputy Director

Shanan Gillespie, Regulatory Program Manager

Greg Schieferstein, Communications Manager

Vonna Cramer, Licensing Lead

Mackenzie Wherrett, Executive Assistant

Elizabeth Lagerberg, Advising AAG

1. Complaint Summary

Total Complaints Received	4
Engineering Complaints	2
Surveying Complaints	2
On-Site Designer Complaints	0
Total Administrative Closures	3
Engineering Closures	1
Surveying Closures	1
On-Site Designer Closures	1

2. Compliance Report

Mr. Peden reported there are currently 2 individuals on compliance monitoring (Muhannad Attili, PE; and Ryan Hawkins). Mr. Attili has met compliance with the terms of his board order and can be removed from compliance monitoring. Mr. Hawkins has not responded to multiple emails about his proposed payment plan and is out of compliance with his board order and will be turned over to collections.

3. Discussion Topics

- Review Comments & Complete Concise Explanatory Statement WAC 196-25 Business practices
The committee reviewed Concise Explanatory Statement regarding WAC 196-25 and provided a response to the one comment received.
The committee recommends the Board approve the Concise Explanatory Statement and have staff file the CR103 – Rulemaking Order.
- Monument Removal/Replacement Response

The PC reviewed the draft letter from the Survey Committee. There were 2 typographical errors that need to be fixed. The PC will recommend Board approval of the letter for Chair signature, and the letter be sent to DNR.

4. Strategic Planning Items

- AIA/PE Stamping and green book resolution – the AAG did come out with an opinion on the stamping issues. That opinion was the stamping requirements should be determined by the local permitting jurisdiction. Ms. Lagerberg sent that full opinion out to members.

Ms. Lagerberg and Mr. Fuller will contact Sydney Muhle, Program Specialist Lead, for the Board’s Section of the Business & Professions Division, Department of Licensing about removing BRPELS information from the Guidelines for Building Officials they currently have on their website.

Staff has removed the link to the Guidelines for Building Officials from our website.

- ~~• Determine WA States direction on decoupling exam experience while maintaining the practice emphasis of the exams. WA State law do not allow for decoupling for exams which BRPELS processes applications. Issue will be removed from monitoring.~~
- ~~• Mobility of licensing for Federal employees and spouse. Current processes in law, rule and policy allows for mobility of licenses thru an expedient process. No further action at this time.~~

5. Action Items

1. Mr. Schieferstein will add journal articles for license regarding the importance of written contracts and bad reviews.
- ~~2. Staff will update the opening verbiage read before each committee meeting to allow for public comments. **Completed**~~

6. Recommendations to the Board

- Recommend approval of the Monument Removal/Replacement Response letter for Chair signature, and send to DNR
- Recommend the Board approve the Concise Explanatory Statement and have staff file the CR103 – Rulemaking Order for WAC 196-25 *Business practices*.