



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

DATE: April 6, 2023
TIME: 3:00 pm
LOCATION: BRPELS Office
605 11th Ave SE, STE 201
Olympia, WA, 98501

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members

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

Staff Members

Elizabeth Lagerberg, Advising AAG (WebEx)
Ken Fuller, PE, Director (WebEx)
Mackenzie Wherrett, Executive Assistant
Shanan Gillespie, Regulatory Program Manager
(WebEx)
Greg Schieferstein, Communication Manager
(WebEx)

1. Call to Order at 3:00 pm

1.1. Roll Call

Mr. Hendrickson took roll call.

1.2. Order of Agenda

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

1.3. Approval of February 23, 2023, Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Peden, and seconded by Ms. Gnanapragasam, to accept the February 23, 2023, Meeting Minutes.

Discussion:

Mr. Wengler stated that during the February Special Board Meeting, he voted on a case closure recommendation in which he should have abstained. The Board Chair stated that Mr. Wengler's vote did not affect the closure recommendation outcome. Board staff apologized for not informing Mr. Wengler of the closure.

Mr. Hendrickson made a friendly amendment for correction of a typo within agenda item 2.1 of the February 23, 2023, Meeting Minutes. Mr. Peden and Ms. Gnanapragasam accepted the friendly amendment.

Mr. Hendrickson called a vote to approve the minutes as amended. Motion approved.

1.4. Public Comment Opportunity

None provided.

Executive Session

Mr. Hendrickson, Board Chair, announced that the Board would move into closed session to consult with the board attorney, discuss matters related to enforcement and potential cases in litigation. It was estimated the Executive Session would last from 3:11 p.m. until 4:26 p.m.

Open Session Reconvened - 4:26 p.m.

2. New Business

2.1. Discuss Proposed Direction for Amendments to WAC 196-29

Ms. Lund made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blaisdell, for the Survey Committee and Practice Committee to form a task force and work with counsel on amendments to WAC 196-29-110.

Discussion:

The board discussed withdrawing the CR101 previously filed with the Code Reviser's Office and the advancement of a CR101 to amend WAC 196-29, which better meets the objectives of the board.

Ms. Lund retracted the motion for the Survey Committee and Practice Committee to form a task force and to work with counsel on amendments to WAC 196-29-110. Mr. Blaisdell, as second, agreed to retract the motion.

Mr. Wengler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lund to withdraw the CR101 and replace it with a CR101 which provides a broader statement of board objectives. Motion approved. Mr. Hendrickson directed the Survey Committee and Practice Committee to work on amending WAC 196-29.

Action Items

- Board Staff to withdraw the CR101 for amendments to WAC 196-29 and file a new CR101 with the Code Reviser's Office which provides a broader statement of the board objectives.

3. Adjourn Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Peden, and seconded by Mr. Blaisdell, to adjourn the meeting at 4:33 p.m. Motion approved.

Next Meeting: April 27, 2023 - Special Board Meeting - Olympia & WebEx

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Fuller, PE, Director