



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

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: July 28, 2020

TIME: 8:00 a.m.

LOCATION: WebEx

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members

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

Staff Members

Elizabeth Lagerberg, Advising AAG
Ken Fuller, PE, Director
Richard Larson, PLS, 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 8:01 a.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 Mr. VanDeWege to accept the agenda. Motion carried.

1.3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Lund, and seconded by Ms. Gnanapragasam to accept the June 17, 2020 meeting minutes as amended. Motion carried.

1.4. Public Comment Opportunity

None

2. Executive Session

Mr. Blaisdell, Board Chair, announced the purpose and estimated time 8:22 a.m. to 8:52 a.m. for Executive Session.

Open Session Reconvened – 8:52 a.m.

3. New Business

- 3.1. The Board discussed the NCEES annual meeting ballot for Western Zone boards.

Because of the global COVID-19 pandemic, the NCEES board of directors decided to hold an abbreviated annual meeting business session virtually instead of the face-to-face meeting that had been scheduled in Chicago. Before the virtual annual meeting, member boards will vote by ballot on Western Zone officer elections as well as motions related to essential Council business. The results of these votes will be announced at the August 27 meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Hendrickson, and seconded by Mr. Shrope, to delegate authority to complete the ballot to the Executive Committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Fuller agreed to provide a synopsis of the ballot items to board members by the end of the day. (Action)

- 3.2. The Board discussed Preliminary letter to DNR Survey Advisory Board (SAB) concerning Chapter 58.20 RCW.

The Washington State Legislature recently enacted House Bill 2860 which amended, deleted and added new sections to Chapter 58.20 RCW (Washington Coordinate System). BRPELS is requesting that the DNR Survey Advisory Board consider adding to or amending Chapter 332-130 WAC to include the maximum allowable *relative accuracy* required to be reported where reference has been made to the Washington plane coordinates system or the use of other datums, other geodetic reference networks or systems, or other plane coordinate systems in land surveys or deeds.

A motion was made by Mr. Hendrickson, and seconded by Mr. VanDeWege, to approve the letter and have it signed by Board Chair, Mr. Blaisdell. Motion carried.

Mr. Larson agreed to present a copy of the signed letter at his meeting with DNR tomorrow and to include it in the discussion with SAB board members. Mr. Larson will also follow up with BRPELS' Survey Committee so they can track the outcome and work in partnership with DNR if necessary. (Action)

4. Adjourn Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. VanDeWege, and seconded by Mr. Hendrickson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 a.m. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: August 27, 2020 – Special Board Meeting

Respectfully submitted



Ken Fuller, PE, Director