

STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
MINUTES

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Meeting location: Virtual Meeting Held via Zoom video conference. In attendance: Brent Bridges, PE, Chair; Joyce Taylor, PE, Vice Chair; Jude Pearse, PE and Mandy Holway, PE. Also in attendance: David Jackson, Executive Director; Timothy Steigelman, AAG; and Ronald Guay, AAG.

1. Call to Order, Minutes of prior meetings and other preliminaries

- A.** The meeting was called to order at 1:01pm
- B.** The minutes of the board meeting held on November 20, 2020 were submitted for approval. On motion by Ms. Pearse and second by Mr. Bridges the board voted 4-0 in favor of approving the November minutes with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.
- C.** Election of officers:
 - 1. Chair
On motion by Ms. Holway and second by Ms. Pearse, Mr. Bridges was nominated as Chair; the voted 4-0 in favor with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.
 - 2. Vice-Chair
On motion by Ms. Pearse and second by Ms. Holway, Ms. Taylor was nominated as Vice Chair; the voted 4-0 in favor with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.
 - 3. Appointment of Committees:
 - a. Executive Committee
 - b. Finance Committee
 - c. Rules Committee
 - d. Examination Committee
 - e. Information Committee
 - f. Complaint Officer
 - g. Continuing Education Committee
 - h. Special CommitteesCommittee assignments were postponed.

2. Committee Reports

- A. Executive Committee (Chair)**
 - 1. Ratification of lease amendment
On motion by Ms. Holway and second by Ms. Pearse to ratify the amendment to the office lease; the voted 4-0 in favor with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.

B. Finance Committee (Taylor)

1. Cash balance on February 2, 2021 was \$603,458
2. Cash balance on January 8, 2019 was \$295,648
3. Total active licensees on February 2, 2021: 6724
4. Total active licensees on January 8, 2019: 6410

C. Rules Committee (Martin)

1. Proposed statute

The Executive Director was charged with presenting the bill to the responsible legislative committee and instructed to emphasize the collaboration with stakeholders in drafting the legislation.

D. Examinations Committee

1. Concurrence with the results of the Principles and Practices of Engineering (PE) examination held on October 22 and 23, 2020.
 - a. Travis Adams
 - b. Ulrich Amoussou-Guenou
 - c. UMA MAHESWAR AREPALLI
 - d. Benjamin Bartlett
 - e. Rebecca Beam
 - f. Andrew Blackman
 - g. Emily Carrier
 - h. Arthur Cavanagh
 - i. Thad Chamberlain
 - j. Anna Marie Chandler
 - k. Daniel Ciaramicoli
 - l. Marshall Cole
 - m. Joshua Crofton-Macdonald
 - n. Adam Cutler
 - o. Charles Daigle
 - p. Rekaft Doski
 - q. Austin Fagan
 - r. Jordan Gamble
 - s. Hosain Haddad Kolour
 - t. Alexander Hardy
 - u. James Havu
 - v. Christopher Hawkins
 - w. Kyle Higgins
 - x. ANAND KARUPPIAH
 - y. Travis Landry
 - z. Samuel Lebel
 - aa. Bo Li
 - bb. Stephen Marcotte
 - cc. Casey Nash
 - dd. Drew Olehowski
 - ee. George Peterson
 - ff. Jeffrey Picoraro

- gg. Thomas Scotto
- hh. Mark Smith II
- ii. Alexander Stein
- jj. Blake Williams

On motion by Ms. Taylor and second by Ms. Pearse the board voted 4-0 to concur with the results of the October PE exam, with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.

- 2. Concurrence with the results of the Structural examination held on October 23, 2020.

- a. Robert Nelson

On motion by Ms. Taylor and second by Ms. Holway the board voted 4-0 to concur with the results of the October PE exam, with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.

E. Information Committee (Pearse)

It is proposed that we publish PE NEWS as needed, perhaps monthly, with the pages necessary to convey the immediate information. The following are proposed topics:

- a. Exam results for date range (possibly quarterly?)
- b. Engineering Expo and NCEES meetings
- c. Changes in NCEES exams or policy
- d. Quarterly updates on licensee discipline
- e. Reminders about statute and rule
- f. Statute or Rule revisions, proposed or enacted
- g. Decoupling

The Executive Director was instructed to publish the PE NEWS quarterly or as needed to keep licensees current.

F. Complaint Committee (Martin)

G. Continuing Education Committee

H. Special Committees

3. Communications

4. Applications

A. Review and concurrence of Chair/Executive Director actions

- 1. Temporary certificates issued.
- 2. Comity licenses authorized for NCEES Model Law Engineers.
- 3. Comity licenses authorized by the Executive Director and Chair.
- 4. Licenses by written examination.
- 5. Re-examinations authorized by the Executive Director.

B. New Engineer Intern (EI) Applications

C. Recently Certified Engineer Interns

On motion by Ms. Taylor and second by Ms. Pearse the board voted 4-0 to ratify actions taken by the staff in Items 4.A. through 4.C. with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.

D. New PE Applications (Exec Dir)

1. Vincent Collins, PE

After hearing and on motion by Ms. Pearse and second by Ms. Taylor the board voted 4-0 to accept the Record of Decision attached hereto and hereby incorporated into this record with Mr. Bridges, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse and Ms. Holway in favor and none opposed.

E. Tabled and Previously Considered

F. Reexamination Requests

G. Other applications or requests

5. Pending Business

6. New Business

- A.** NCEES Interim Zone Meetings will be virtual. – No action taken
- B.** NCEES Annual Meeting will be business only, may include some people – No action taken
- C.** Maine Engineering Expo – Ms. Pearse to follow up.
- D.** New board member applications – Executive Director to forward comments to Commissioner Head and Governor Mills
- E.** Website revision is ongoing
- F.** Discussion of possible PDH Revisions
 - a. Possible requirement revisions for 2021
 - b. Eliminate carryover
 - c. Reduce PDH requirement to 24 hrs. per 2-year licensureNo action taken – this is the third time this issue has been discussed and the board is disinclined to make any changes at this time.
- G.** Conduct survey of licensees regarding decoupling for NSPE – Executive Director to undertake

7. Adjournment

- A.** Next scheduled board meeting is June 17, 2021.
- B.** Meeting adjourned at 2:20 PM