STATE OF MAINE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

Minutes Thursday, January 17, 2019

<u>Meeting location:</u> Augusta Armory, Western Avenue, Room 209-A, Augusta, ME <u>Attendees:</u> Mandy Olver, PE, Chair; Clifton Greim, PE, Vice Chair; Joyce Taylor, PE; Russ Martin, PE, Complaint Officer; Brent Bridges, PE; Jude Pearse, PE; Ron Guay, Assistant Attorney General; Adria LaRose, Assistant Attorney General; Andrew Black, Assistant Attorney General; and David Jackson, Executive Director. Members of the public representing professional societies and organizations, as well as engineering firms, were also in attendance.

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

- **A.** The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.
- **B.** On motion by Ms. Taylor and second by Ms. Pearse the minutes of the board meeting held on November 15, 2018 were approved 6-0.
- **C.** Election of officers:
 - 1. Chair Mandy Holway Olver. On nomination by Ms. Pearse and second by Ms. Taylor, Ms. Holway Olver was elected by a 6-0 vote.
 - 2. Vice-Chair Brent Bridges. On nomination by Mr. Greim and second by Ms. Pearse, Mr. Bridges was elected Vice Chair by a 6-0 vote.
 - 3. Appointment of Committees (Chair makes committee assignments and is a member of all committees):
 - a. Executive Committee Ms. Olver, Mr. Bridges
 - b. Finance Committee Mr. Greim, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Lessard
 - c. Rules Committee Mr. Martin, Ms. Pearse
 - d. Examination Committee -- eliminated
 - e. Information Committee Ms. Pearse, Ms. Taylor, Mr. Bridges
 - f. Complaint Officer Mr. Martin
 - q. Continuing Education Committee Mr. Bridges, Ms. Pearse
 - h. Special Committees
 - 1. Outreach Ms. Olver, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Pearse

2. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee (Chair)

B. Finance Committee (Greim)

- 1. Cash balance on January 8, 2019 was \$295,648
- 2. Cash balance on January 9, 2017 was \$357,109
- 3. Total active licensees on January 8, 2019: 6410

4. Total active licensees on January 6, 2017: 6182

C. Rules Committee (Martin)

1. Proposed statute and rule revisions

After discussion related to drafts of proposed statute and rule changes with members of the public, including individuals representing the professional societies and organizations, as well as engineering firms:

On motion by Ms. Taylor and second by Ms. Pearse, the Board voted 6-0 to authorize and direct the Executive Director to draft statutory language consistent with the discussion held today.

On motion by Ms. Taylor and second by Mr. Bridges, the Board voted 6-0 to authorize and direct the Executive Director to proceed with Rulemaking pertaining to the fees charged by the board as discussed.

D. Examinations Committee

- 1. Concurrence with the results of the Principles and Practices of Engineering (PE) examination held on October 26, 2018.
- 2. Concurrence with the results of the Structural examination held on October 26 and 27, 2018.

On motion by Ms. Pearse and second by Mr. Greim the board voted 6-0 to concur with the results of the October PE and SE exams.

E. <u>Information Committee</u> (Olver)

The following are proposed articles for the next newsletter:

- a. Thoughts While Driving (Olver)
- b. Results of October 2018 exams
- c. Statute and rule revisions
- d. Engineering Expo
- e. NCEES meetings

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.
- Re-examinations authorized by the Executive Director.

B. New Engineer Intern (EI) Applications

C. Recently Certified Engineer Interns

On motion by Mr. Bridges and second by Ms. Pearse the board voted 6-0 to concur with Items 4.A. through 4.C. above.

D. New PE Applications (Exec Dir)

- 1. Application withdrawn
- 2. John Blount

On motion by Ms. Pearse and second by Mr. Martin the board voted 6-0 to approve this application for licensure.

E. Tabled and Previously Considered

F. Reexamination Requests

1. Ron Cote

On motion by Ms. Pearse and second by Mr. Bridges the board voted 5-0-1, with Ms. Taylor recused, to approve this applicant to sit for the PE exam.

G. Other applications or requests

1. Emily Leighton

On motion by Mr. Greim and second by Ms. Pearse the board voted 6-0 to approve this applicant to sit for the April PE exam.

5. Pending Business

6. New Business

A. NCEES Northeast Zone Meeting, May 2-4, 2019, Portsmouth, NH The Board designated the following delegates to attend the NCEES Interim Zone Meeting: Mandy Holway Olver, PE, Chair; Brent Bridges, PE, Vice Chair; Russell Martin, PE, Complaint Officer; and as Member Board Administrator: David Jackson, Executive Director.

- **B.** NCEES Annual Meeting, August 14-17, 2019, Washington, DC Discussion of this item was postponed until the next meeting.
- **C.** Proposed ASME resolution for NCEES Zone Meeting Discussion of this item was postponed until the next meeting.
- **D.** North Carolina Question regarding proxy voting at NCEES meetings

Discussion of this item was postponed until the next meeting.

E. Meeting date for March

Executive Director was directed to determine if a quorum would be available for the March 21 meeting, otherwise the meeting will be changed to March 14.

F. Credentials discussion

After discussion with members of the public representing employers and professional societies and professional organizations:

On motion by Ms. Pearse, with second by Ms. Taylor, the Board voted 5-1 to give policy direction to the Executive Director allowing the use of engineering titles by engineering graduates who are employed by professional engineers.

G. Budget and fees

After discussion regarding the budget and fees, the board took the action noted in item 2.C.1. above.

7. Adjournment

- A. Next scheduled meetings are March 21, 2019 and June 20, 2019
- **B.** Meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.