# STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS Minutes of December 4, 2008 Public Session

# CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors was called to order by Board President James Valenti at 9:00 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street, 3rd Floor Union Conference Room, Newark, New Jersey. All parties were duly notified of the time, date and place, with all pertinent material being provided.

#### SUNSHINE LAW ANNOUNCEMENT

Board President Valenti read the statement required by Chapter 231, Laws of 1975 known as the Open Public Meetings Act, and announced that notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Newark Star Ledger, Trenton Times, the Camden Courier Post, Bergen Record, and the Atlantic City Press.

Present: James Valenti Lawrence Koo James Purcell Robert Marshall James Cleary Perry Schwartz Richard Frantz Edward Vernick Barry Jones

Absent: Michael Angeline

Others: Arthur Russo, Executive Director, Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General, Joseph Grabowy, Assistant to the Executive Director, staff members Martha Richardson, Yolanda Winston, and two members of the public.

#### **REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

November 6, 2008

On a motion by BM Vernick, seconded by BM Frantz, the Board voted to accept the minutes as amended.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Legislation

Appearance by Patricia Schiripo, Regulatory Analyst Ms. Schiripo appeared before the Board to discuss the Board's position on the following bills:

A3361 - Map Filing Law - The Board previously directed that staff send a letter to the NJ Society of Professional Land Surveyors requesting its position on this bill. This matter will be tabled until the next meeting.

S2302 - Provides for licensure of landscape professionals and registration of professional landscape businesses. The Board noted its limited impact on it.

S1897 - Site Remediation - The legislation provides for the licensure of individuals not licensed as professional engineers to perform site remediation work. The Board previously took a position on this legislation.

#### Licensure Promotion

BP Valenti suggested that the staff combine any lists of colleges previously visited to promote licensure as

a way to determine those next to visit.

BM Schwartz informed the Board that a STEP program (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics), geared toward introducing high school students to an engineering career may be of interest to the Board. BM Schwartz will provide additional information on this program.

# Continuing Education

On a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Jones, the Board voted to approve the following continuing education courses:

# SPONSOR COURSE PDH COMMENTS

Beardslee Engineering Credit for our Military Heros 6 approved

Beardslee Engineering Our Surveying Family 6 approved

Beardslee Engineering The Final Point 4 approved

Beardslee Engineering Should Professional Liability Insurance be Mandatory 8 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors Utilities, Public and Otherwise 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors Our State Boundary 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors Survey Math 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors Self Defense for the Successful Leader 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors It's Simple, Just Not Easy 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors Instrument Adjustment 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors Ethical Traits of the Successful Leader 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors NGS & Real Time Positioning Standards/Guidelines 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors All the Write Stuff 4 approved

Delaware Association of Surveyors Highway Safety 4 approved

# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## General Report

BM Jones stated that the review of PCS databank of questions for the state specific law examination is expected to be completed soon.

ED Russo again informed the Board that NCEES' Board Presidents Assembly will be held on February 20-21, 2009 in Atlanta, Ga. BP Valenti will not attend, however, VP Purcell will consider attending.

Executive Director Russo stated that the Board has received pre-approval for a waiver for both the October 2008 and the April 2009 examinations.

Ken Dietel, Department of the Treasury, Purchase and Property, submitted various questions regarding the Board's Request for Proposal.

# INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Tim Boyd, P.E. Re: Copy of Licensure File November 14, 2008

Mr. Boyd requests a copy of his application file.

The Board Office shall provide Mr. Boyd with a copy of the application which he submitted. However, references shall be not be provided.

Patrick L. Padgett Re: Copy of references from NJ PE licensure file November 17, 2008

Mr. Padgett requests that a copy of his reference forms be sent to the Minnesota Board.

The Board requested that the Board Office contact the Minnesota Board to ascertain what information is needed in connection with Mr. Padgett's pending application.

Mark Mantyla, PE/PLS Re: Preparation of a Survey November 25, 2008

Mr. Mantyla has concerns regarding whether he should accept an as-built survey prepared by an Architect.

On a motion by BM Schwartz, second by BM Vernick, the Board voted to inform him that only a licensed professional land surveyor can prepare an as-built survey. Further, if he has any questions regarding the outcome of the matter before the State Board of Architects, then he should contact Executive Director James Hsu for further clarification.

Jimmy Smith, Ph.D., P.E. Director, Murdough Center for Engineering Professionalism Re: New Engineering Ethics Courses Offered by Distance Learning October 24, 2008

Mr. Smith informs the Board of the options of engineering ethics courses by distance learning, which have been revised.

This correspondence was noted for the record.

ED Russo mentioned that since VP Purcell is familiar with the ethics courses by distance learning, he should review the incoming courses making them available as an option for disciplininary purposes.

## OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

This correspondence was noted for the record.

# **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

The Board, on a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Marshall, voted unanimously on the following applications as indicated:

# NAME APPLICATION # PE/EIT APPROVED/AIN

Leonard Kafer 1342635 Comity Grant License Ala Kazemi 1352740 Exam ` Take P Thomas Fairbairn 1355099 Comity Grant License Gregor Gramlich 1309143 Comity Grant License Robert Posch 1294287 Comity Grant License Kevin Hayes 1263432 Exam Take P Tony Miller 1352596 Comity Grant License Clay Willis 1310605 Comity Grant License Rahman Mourad 1340709 Exam Take P Barry Haupt 1335397 Exam Take FLS Reiner Vanderkeyl 1323836 Comity Grant License James Mieczkowski 1344272 Comity Grant License Nghi Reilly 1320336 Comity Grant License Sylvester Fyrc 1344078 Comity Grant License Micheal Viglianco 1330722 Exam Take P Robert Miller 1312837 Comity Grant License John Ferguson 1332144 Comity Grant License Joseph Gaus 1358024 Comity Grant License Naser Behzadpour 1262430 Exam Take P Judith O'Brien 1272622 Comity Grant License Theodore Kopey Jr. 1339044 Comity Grant License Gary K Woodall 1362986 Comity Grant License Timothy Bash 1340699 Comity Grant License Joseph Bautista 1316494 Comity Grant License Frank Coulter 1308862 Comity Grant License Paul Boettinger 1342624 Comity Grant License Kevin Miller 1347604 Exam Take F A. Hammoudeh 1275207 Exam Take F Philip Gerhardt 1162850 Exam Take F Brian Cooper 1329434 Exam Take P Matt H. Miller 1355176 Comity Grant License Bill Riehl 1337620 Comity Grant License Alton Treadwell 1307711 Exam Take P waive F Scott Diehl 1359641 Comity Grant License Kian L. Moozar 1225885 Comity Grant License Philip Doti 1344250 Comity Grant License Angela Wells 1287843 Comity Grant License Mario Toscano 1363032 Comity Grant License Chih-Ping Fan 1120752 Comity Grant License Michael Duclos 1361611 Comity Grant License Michelle May 1368307 Exam Take P Paul Hagerman 1284152 Comity Grant License Michael Naughter 1326339 Comity Grant License Nikhil Kharva 1367634 Comity Grant License Thomas Doyle 1342578 Comity Grant License Kristen Rolison 1119193 Comity Grant License Suhail Albhaisi 1359689 Comity Take P Matthew Connors 1344309 Comity Grant License David Riley 1262615 Exam Take F & P James Kuhta 1362990 Exam Take PLS Paul Ferguson 1349337 Exam Take FLS Michael Conners 1235552 Comity Grant License Michael Gilinsky 1259980 Exam Take P Fouad Ait Arab 1329116 Exam Take FLS Gregory Marks 1287971 Comity Grant License James Westbrook 1294274 Comity Grant License

Stan Lulewicz 1338770 Comity Grant License David Toce 1339050 Comity Grant License Alexis Spyron 1352770 Comity Grant License Scott Jones 1354363 Comity Take P Diane McGroarty 1289313 Comity Grant License Christopher Ward 1309115 Comity Grant License William Odle 1316481 Comity Grant License Mark Picard 1355183 Comity Grant License Alberto De la Torre Lucas 1330270 Comity Grant License Dennis Stone 1367745 Comity Grant License Wesley Blakely 1367750 Comity Grant License Richard Wells 1308967 Comity Grant License Gordon Prejean 1308907 Comity Grant License Maria Snair 1364924 Exam Take P Joseph Schedlbauer 1320648 Comity Grant License Kamran Khosravani 1359912 Comity Grant License Amer Gulzar 1299487 Exam Take F Drexel Hermann 1320608 Comity Grant License Daniel Nwosu 1358749 Comity Grant License

The Board, on a motion by BM Cleary, second by BM Schwartz, voted unanimously to request additional information for the following applicants for licensure:

John T. Morrow 1363002 Comity AIN Charles Vogt 1358747 Comity AIN John Roll 1313663 Comity AIN Jefferson Kim 1326176 Comity AIN Jian Wang 1362998 Comity AIN Gerard McLaughlin 1262430 Comity AIN Edward Christine III 1344280 Comity AIN Cullen Flanders 1344086 Comity AIN Robert Taylor II 1273055 Comity AIN Michael Boufadel 1259968 Comity AIN -Full Board Karla Ritter 1367700 Comity AIN Lawrence McDowell 1361584 Comity AIN Eric Benstock 1366711 Comity AIN Charles Brown 1355148 Comity AIN Robert Ziegenfuss 1122149 Comity AIN Gregory Riley 1323833 Comity AIN Christopher Conwell 1366644 Comity AIN Christophe Woodney 1332525 Comity AIN Paul DeSilva 1353306 Comity AIN Aleksander Treyger 1303273 Comity AIN Daniel Turner 1333461 Comity AIN Michael Palestini 1338771 Comity AIN Xin Dai 1331379 Comity AIN Karla Ritter 1367700 Comity AIN Earl W. Boulware 1333511 Comity AIN Trov Jenkins 1276044 Comity AIN Simona Botas 999797 Comity AIN Mitchell Weaver 1361588 Comity AIN John Rosenquist 1366639 Comity AIN Eugene Dvorchak 1138661 Comity AIN Paul Villotti 1359965 Comity AIN

Chad Moore 1355140 Comity AIN Timothy Hoffman 1312825 Comity AIN Paul Hopkins 1326202 Comity AIN Jonathan Greenberg 1355199 Exam AIN Ken Tu 1263872 Exam AIN Erwin Brandt 1340733 Comity AIN Thomas McDonell 1353890 Comity AIN James DiRienzo 1309140 Comity AIN Romulo Lakip Jr. 1313526 Comity AIN Christopher Liska 1362992 Comity AIN Susan A. Sciarrata 1270429 Comity AIN Robert Hinchee 1300307 Comity AIN Daniel Hurley 1367673 Comity AIN Michael J. Bojack 1366675 Comity AIN

A.I.N. = Additional Information Needed

CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORIZATION

The Board, on a motion by BM Frantz, second by BM Vernick, voted to approve the following companies for a Certificate of Authorization:

SIMPSON GUMPERTZ & HEGER ASSOCIATES, INC. 41 Seyon Street, Bldg. 1, Ste. 500 Waltham, MA 02453 Application # 1380837

DYNAMIC EARTH, LLC 245 Main Street, Ste. 204 Chester, NJ 07930 Application #1380841

AW SOLUTIONS, INC. 300 Crown Oak Center Dr. Longwood, FL 32750 Application # 1380847

THE DaVINCI GROUP, LLC 72 W. Center Street Woodbury, NJ 08096 Application #1380849

LIZARDOS ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC. 181 Howard blvd., Ste. M #358 Mt. Arlington, NJ 07856 Application # 1380854

GEORGE W. HENN, INC. 435 Mantoloking Road Brick, NJ 08723 Application #138094

**5 REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS** 

Kenneth Earl Gill, PE

The Board reviewed the reinstatement application for Mr. Gill and, on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Vernick, voted to approve reinstatement.

Todd T. Breck, PE

The Board reviewed Mr. Breck's application for reinstatement and on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Marshall, will request that he demonstrate proficiency by providing a more detailed explanation of the work performed. Mr. Breck must also inform the Board whether he holds a license in another state and provide information regarding any disciplinary actions that may have been received.

Shashikant Vishnu Athavale

The Board reviewed Mr. Athavale's application for reinstatement and on a motion by VP Purcell, second by BM Vernick, requested that he demonstrate proficiency by providing a more detailed explanation of the work performed during 2003 to 2008. Additionally, Mr. Athavale must advise the Board if he holds a license in another state and provide information regarding any disciplinary actions that may have been received.

## INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

CENews.com - No Longer an L.S.

This correspondence was noted for the record.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles Blumeling, PE, PLS recognized BM Vernick as having received an award from the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

Patrick Fatton stated that the NJSPLS will forward its position on A3361 (Map Filing Law) by the Board's next meeting on December 18, 2008.

## MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board, on a motion by BM Vernick, second by BM Frantz unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session to review disciplinary matters.

## RETURN TO PUBLIC

On a motion contained within the Executive Session minutes, the Board re-entered into Public Session to adjourn.

## ADJOURNMENT

On motion by BM Frantz, second by VP Purcell the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:00pm.

## APPROVED BY:

James K. Valenti, P.E Arthur Russo Executive Director