

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS,
SURVEYORS AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Date: Thursday, December 8, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: King Kalakaua Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Shelli McCelvey, Chair, Landscape Architect Member
Norman Hong, Vice Chair, Architect Member
Michael Chu, Landscape Architect Member
Demetrio Constantino, Public Member
Dan Hirota, Land Surveyor Member
Howard Lau, Structural Engineer Member
Jay Manzano, Public Member
Paul Murray, Chair, Land Surveyor Member
Clayton Pang, Electrical Engineer Member
Marc Ventura, Architect Member
Robert Yanabu, Civil Engineer Member
Rodney Tam, Esq., Deputy Attorney General
James Kobashigawa, Executive Officer
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer
Terry Akasaka-Toyama, Secretary

Excused: Ross Okuda, Secretary, Mechanical Engineer Member
Raymond Skelton, Public Member
Roberto Yumol, Architect Member

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair McCelvey called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Agenda: Additions and Revisions: None.

Approval of
Minutes:

It was moved by Mr. Chu, seconded by Mr. Hirota, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2011 Board meeting.

Applications:

a. Ratifications

None

b. Professional Engineer Committee

Mr. Lau presented the PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER COMMITTEE REPORT and recommended action as follows:

APPROVE CIVIL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- PHILLIPS, Michael
- ROUSHAR, Samuel
- SCHUH, Jeffrey

APPROVE ELECTRICAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- BALS, David
- DOUGLAS, James
- PERRIE, Scott
- REED, Alexander

APPROVE MECHANICAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- MATTHEWS, Taylor
- MATZAN, Eric

APPROVE STRUCTURAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- KORDT, Stephan
- McINTOSH, Travis
- MOEHLENKAMP, York
- WESTON, Daniel (Also CE by Endorsement)
- WYNNE, Gerald

APPROVE ENGINEER BY EXAM (PE)

- ADAMS, Kelly (CE)
- PAYNE, Joseph (SE)
- SAEWONG, Mark (EE)
- SZABO, Victor (SE)
- WEIDENBACH, Joseph (CE)

APPROVE ENGINEER BY EXAM (FE)

- BALA, Deserie
- KEKAUALUA, Francis Jr.
- WONG, Jasmine

DEFER CIVIL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- CLARKE, Shawn
- FATTAHI, Mir
- MOEHLENKAMP, York
- NIPPER, Matthew
- WESTON, Daniel

DEFER MECHANICAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- FRIESEN, Jason

DEFER ENGINEER BY EXAM (PE)

- KEKAUALUA, Francis Jr. (CE)

It was moved by Mr. Yanabu, seconded by Mr. Pang, and unanimously carried to accept the PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER COMMITTEE REPORT.

c. Professional Architect Committee

Mr. Hong presented the PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECT COMMITTEE REPORT and recommended action as follows:

APPROVE ARCHITECT BY ENDORSEMENT

- ANDRES, Timothy
- BRINKLEY, Garry
- HAMBY, David
- HINKLEY, John
- KINGSTON, Kenner
- LINDSEY, William
- LOVELADY, Brent
- McALLISTER, Mitchell
- MESSEL, Robert
- OSBORN, Mark
- SHIGIHARA, Matthew
- THORYK, Paul

APPROVE ARCHITECT BY EXAM

- FUJITA, Ryan
- GOLDBERG, Malia
- MENCH, Karl

It was moved by Mr. Lau, seconded by Mr. Murray, and unanimously carried to accept the PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECT COMMITTEE REPORT.

d. Professional Land Surveyor Committee

Mr. Murray presented the PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR COMMITTEE REPORT and recommended action as follows:

DEFER LAND SURVEYOR BY ENDORSEMENT

- WEISS, Steven (state-constructed exam)

It was moved by Mr. Lau, seconded by Mr. Manzano, and unanimously carried to accept the PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR COMMITTEE REPORT.

e. Professional Landscape Architect Committee

Mr. Chu presented the PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT COMMITTEE REPORT and recommended action as follows:

DEFER LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT BY EXAM

- DIAMOND, Hayley (LARE and state-constructed exam)

It was moved by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Lau, and unanimously carried to accept the PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT COMMITTEE REPORT.

Old Business:

a. Rules Committee Report

Mr. Kobashigawa summarized the minutes of the November 10, 2011 Rules Committee Meeting.

At the meeting, Mr. Miura updated the Committee that the Board approved amendments to section 16-115-5, Display of certificate; section 16-115-54, Examination, qualifications, applications, fees, documents required; and added section 16-115-10.5, Examination irregularities.

Mr. Hirota summarized the status of pending action related to the definition of surveying and requiring continuing education ("CE") for surveyors. The Surveyor Committee is still working on the definition of surveying and the Board previously indicated legislation will not be pursued this year to require CE for surveyors based on the Board's survey result of only 22% of the licensed surveyors voting in favor of mandatory CE.

Mr. Kobashigawa reported that in attending the NCARB Member Board Executives ("MBE") Workshop, discussion was generated as to whether MBEs have the authority to issue a license to an applicant holding a NCARB certificate. It was found that most states allow the MBEs such authority, resulting in a faster licensing process.

After further discussion, the Committee recommended delegating staff the authority to issue licenses to applicants who are NCARB Certificate holders, NCEES Model Law Engineers, NCEES Model Law Structural Engineer, NCEES Model Law Surveyor, and CLARB Certificate holder.

Also discussed at the MBE Workshop was whether states allow direct registration of the A.R.E. to NCARB. It was found that many states allow interns to register for the A.R.E. directly with NCARB and do not need to apply with the Board first. In approving an applicant for the A.R.E., NCARB applies each state's requirements to qualify to take the A.R.E. Once the intern passes all the sections of the A.R.E. and has completed IDP, the intern would apply with the state board for licensure.

After further discussion, the Committee was in favor of allowing direct registration to NCARB to be eligible to take the A.R.E.

During today's Board meeting, Mr. Kobashigawa inquired whether the Board was in favor of delegating to staff the authority to approve applicants who are either NCARB Certificate holders, NCEES Model Law Engineers, NCEES Model Law Structural Engineer, NCEES Model Law Surveyor, or CLARB Certificate holders.

Mr. Yanabu suggested the Board look into what the record/certificate requirements are, especially for engineers.

Mr. Lau also indicated that for engineers, certain states, such as Illinois and California, allow civil engineers to do structural work and are able to get NCEES Model Law Engineer certification although their experience is mostly structural and not civil.

After discussion, by consensus, the architect, landscape architect, land surveyor and structural engineer members were in favor of delegating staff the authority to approve applicants who have a NCARB Certificate, CLARB Certificate, NCEES Model Law Surveyor or NCEES Model Law Structural Engineer. NCEES Model Law Engineers would continue to be evaluated by the Engineer Committee.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Hong, seconded by Mr. Ventura, and unanimously carried to allow candidates to directly register with NCARB to take the ARE exam. These changes, including delegating staff the authority to approve applicants who are NCARB Certificate, CLARB Certificate, NCEES Model Law Surveyor or NCEES Model Law Structural Engineer holders, need to be included in the Board's rules.

It was moved by Mr. Lau, seconded by Mr. Murray, and unanimously carried to approve the Rules Committee minutes of November 10, 2011.

b. Evaluation of Foreign Architectural Degrees

The Board continued their discussion from last month's meeting on this matter. Currently, the Board requires applicants with foreign architectural degrees to have their transcripts evaluated by the Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. ("ECE"). ECE bases its evaluation on the school and not necessarily the architectural program. NCARB recommends evaluations be done by the Education Evaluation Services for Architects ("EESA"). EESA is administered by the National Architectural Accrediting Board ("NAAB") which accredits architectural degree programs.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Hong, seconded by Mr. Ventura, and unanimously carried to require applicants with foreign architectural degrees to have their degrees evaluated by EESA instead of ECE.

New Business:

a. NCEES Matters

- NCEES is looking to computerize the PS exam in 2015.
- Registration with NCEES for the April 2012 exam administration is open from December 15, 2011 to February 23, 2012.
- The next Member Board Administrator's meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2012 in Atlanta, GA.
- Brochures on NCEES's Engineering Award were distributed to the members for their information.

b. NCARB Matters

Architecture programs at six U.S. universities were recipients of the 2011 NCARB grant for the Integration of Practice and Education in the Academy. The recipients were Boston Architectural College, Lawrence Technology University, Portland State University, Tulane University, Tuskegee University, and University of Miami.

c. CLARB Matters

The 2012 CLARB Spring Meeting is scheduled for February 24-25, 2012 in Coral Gables, Florida.

Correspondence:

a. Letter and Application from Gerald Takano

Mr. Takano had a Hawaii architect license; however his license expired on April 30, 2006 and the two year restoration period has passed. Being that he was only licensed in Hawaii, he has to reapply as a new applicant and comply with the IDP requirement. He requested that he be allowed to restore his license or the IDP requirement be waived.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Ventura, seconded by Mr. Hong, and unanimously carried to deny Mr. Takano's request to renew his license or waive the IDP requirement for a new application. The Board cited section 464-9(c), HRS, in part..."Any person who fails to restore the person's license within two years of the date of its expiration shall reapply for licensure as a new applicant and meet the requirements in effect at that time."

Executive Officer's Report: a. Hawaii Land Surveyors Association ("HLSA") Newsletter

Mr. Hirota reported the association is blaming the Board and the two surveyors on the Board for "not getting the job done" on submitting a bill for the upcoming legislative session and not accepting HLSA's version of proposed language.

Previously, HLSA submitted draft language to the Board and after a review, Mr. Murray and Mr. Hirota subsequently returned to HLSA draft language based on the NCEES Model Law Surveyor definition. However, HLSA rejected the draft language. Therefore, Mr. Murray and Mr. Hirota have been working with HLSA's draft language and intend to respond to HLSA.

b. Wiliki O Hawaii

The December 2011 newsletter was circulated to the members for their information.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 12, 2012
9:00 a.m.
King Kalakaua Room
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Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Terry Akasaka-Toyama

Terry Akasaka-Toyama
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ James Kobashigawa

James Kobashigawa
Executive Officer

12/22/11

[] Minutes approved as is.

[X] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes 1/12/12.