

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, November 8, 2012

Time: 9:00 a.m.

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

Present: Norman Hong, Chair, Architect Member
Demetrio Constantino, Public Member
Howard Lau, Structural Engineer Member
Shelli McCelvey, Landscape Architect Member
Raymond Skelton, Secretary, Public Member
Roberto Yumol, Architect Member
Rodney Tam, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
James Kobashigawa, Executive Officer
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer
Jennifer Fong, Secretary

Excused: Michael Chu, Landscape Architect Member
Dan Hirota, Land Surveyor Member
Jay Manzano, Public Member
Paul Murray, Land Surveyor Member
Ross Okuda, Vice Chair, Mechanical Engineer Member
Clayton Pang, Electrical Engineer Member
Robert Yanabu, Civil Engineer Member

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Hong called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda: Additions
and Revisions: None.

Approval of
Minutes:

It was moved by Mr. Lau, seconded by Mr. Yumol, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2012 Board meeting.

It was moved by Ms. McCelvey, seconded by Mr. Yumol, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2012 Rules Committee meeting minutes with the following amendments:

- On page 1, under Discussion on Amendments To Chapter 16-115, HAR, & Chapter 464, HRS, it should read as, "Mr. Miura requested that a compilation of all the Board approved proposed amendments be available to the committee and the Board [list be compiled regarding pending provisions adopted by the Board for amendments to the rules]. " (underlined material added, while bracketed material is to be deleted)

Applications:

a. Ratifications

It was moved by Mr. Lau, seconded by Mr. Yumol, and unanimously carried to ratify the following:

APPROVED CIVIL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- HUGHES, Elizabeth
- HUTCHINS, John
- LIN, David
- MEILLEUR, Aaron
- MEKURIA, Maaza
- PECK, Stephen
- PEYTCHVEV, Lubomir
- PROVAN, Claire
- SCHULTZ, Steven
- SMITH, Richard
- WRIGHT, Bradford

b. Professional Engineer Committee Recommendations

This item was deferred to the end of the meeting.

c. Professional Architect Committee Recommendations

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

APPROVE ARCHITECT BY ENDORSEMENT

- COMERFORD, Catherine
- FIELDING, Randall
- KRIPPAEHNE, Joanne
- LIN, Elmer
- TRAYLOR, Charles

APPROVE ARCHITECT BY EXAM

- HAWK, Noah
- JEON, Sih

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

d. Professional Land Surveyor Committee Recommendations

None.

e. Professional Landscape Architect Committee Recommendations

None.

Old Business: a. Rules Committee Report

Mr. Kobashigawa summarized the minutes of the October 11, 2012 Rules Committee Meeting.

Mr. Kobashigawa highlighted the portion of the minutes of the Rules Committee meeting regarding whether language must be added to amend the rules with the passage of Act 79, SLH 2012, related to the amended definitions of landscape architect and land surveying.

Mr. Kobashigawa stated that after further review, the rules do not need to be amended because the definitions are clear

in the statute.

New Business:

a. NCEES Matters

- EWeek 2013 News Release

Mr. Kobashigawa reported that Dale Jans, former president of NCEES conducted a webinar on October 30th. NCEES will be one of the lead sponsors of the event.

- NCEES Western Zone Meeting Update

The next Western Zone interim meeting will be on April 18-20, 2013 in San Francisco. Mr. Lau will be attending. The 2015 joint Southern/Western Zone interim meeting will be held in Arizona, with the Arkansas board serving as co-host.

- My NCEES was recently updated with the strategic plan, revised *Investigation and Enforcement Guidelines*, revised *Bylaws, Manual of Policy and Position Statements, Model Law, Model Rules, and Zone Meeting and Continuity Guidelines*. A summary of changes to the manuals was also posted.

b. NCARB Matters

- Report on Member Board Chair/Member Board Executive Conference

Mr. Hong was scheduled to attend this conference but due to the storm, left before the conference began.

Mr. Kobashigawa provided the following report on the conference:

- ✓ Practice Analysis

The recently completed practice analysis is being

analyzed and is projected to have significant impact on the examination (“A.R.E.”) and Intern Development Program (“IDP”).

✓ Model Law

There are ongoing discussions on whether to implement provisions related to electronic seals and signatures, reactivation, and definition of welfare into Model Law.

✓ NCARB Centennial

2019 will be NCARB’s centennial.

✓ “Destination Architect”

NCARB has developed a video presentation kit for Boards to communicate with collaterals, such as AIA local chapters and architectural schools. The video provides information on the value of licensure and the licensure requirements based on education, examination and IDP.

✓ Legislative Issues

In North Dakota, a law was passed so that an architect’s design and stamp would not be required to build certain structures, such as a stadium. The rationale being that the structure would need to be built according to code and the contractor would build according to the code.

Some states are redefining what a public building is so that an architect may not be required to design and seal the building.

Some states are evaluating whether independent design professional boards should be consolidated into one board.

In New Hampshire, there is a movement to eliminate licensure of architects and landscape architects.

Georgia is trying to appoint “consumer boards” in which a majority of the members would be public members and the professional licensees would be a minority.

- NCARB Award Flyer

NCARB recently announced the winners of the NCARB awards. Savannah College of Art and Design will receive a \$40,000 award, Auburn University will receive a \$20,000 award, and USC School of Architecture will receive a \$15,000 award.

- NCARB News Clip on Intern Think Tank

In December, NCARB will host its first Intern Think Tank in Washington, DC. The purpose is to explore blue-sky ideas related to the future of internship, analyze the current program’s real-world implementation and effectiveness and inform the IDP from the perspective of the intern community. There are 12 positions available to serve on the think tank. The application form is available on NCARB’s website.

- NCARB News Clip on IDP

NCARB announced additional opportunities for interns to earn experience hours. The academic internship experience, originally capped at 930 hours, will now have no cap. Interns will also have the opportunity to earn IDP experience through construction work.

- NCARB IDP e-News

According to new data from NCARB, the median time to complete the IDP, based on an intern’s application year, is about five years, and the median time from graduation

to initial licensure is seven years.

- NCARB Survey on Registered Architects by State

NCARB's 2012 Survey of Registered Architects indicates that there are currently 105,596 registered architects in the U.S. This represents a 1.2% increase from last year's survey. In Hawaii, as of 10/19/12, there were 2,278 licensed architects.

- NCARB E-mail on Fee Relief to Activate Records

From October 1 through November 30, NCARB is offering fee relief to any architect or intern who reactivates a lapsed record or certificate.

For interns who reactivate a lapsed record, all past renewal fees will be waived. The cost to reactivate is \$75, and going forward, if their record remains active through licensure, they will get NCARB Certification for free and will get half-price renewals of their certificate for three years.

For architects who let their records or certificates go inactive, all past renewal fees will be waived upon reactivation. The cost to reactivate is \$475.

Architects who let their records go inactive while still an intern will have all past renewal fees waived upon reactivation, plus they will get certified for free as long as they qualify for NCARB Certification. The cost to reactivate is \$475.

- E-mail on Member Board Executive Director Candidate

Applications were received from MBE Director Candidate Kingsley Johnson Glasgow of Arkansas and Kate Nobisch of Virginia.

- Mr. Kobashigawa reported that there has been some concern regarding contractors building without an architect's design. The rationale is that the contractor will be using the building codes to build so the architect is not necessary. Some states are redefining what a public building is. Others are moving to combine professions into one board similar to Hawaii's or eliminating architect and landscape architect license types. Within the last three years, architect firms reported a loss of 40% revenue and a 30% decrease.
- The state boards are being encouraged to share their licensees' contact and disciplinary information. Mr. Kobashigawa stated that currently, the Hawaii Board does not provide contact information based on AG's advice that the information is confidential. NCARB had to contact the local chapter of the AIA to get their member contact information.
- Mr. Kobashigawa reported that NCARB would like to visit the board next year. They are visiting each state board and AIA local chapter.

It was moved by Mr. Yumol, seconded by Mr. Hong, and unanimously carried to approve NCARB's visit to the board.

c. CLARB Matters

- Letter from South Carolina Board

Correspondence: None.

Applications: b. Professional Engineer Committee Recommendations

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

APPROVE CIVIL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- BROWN, Eric
- DAILY, John
- DUSPIVA, Victor
- FRANCIS, Oceana
- HRACHOVEC, Michael
- MAURO, Joseph
- PARSONS, Gregory
- PINSKE, Michael
- SANDER, Kenneth
- SCHNEIDER, Travis
- SULLIVAN, Kevin
- SWARTHOUT, Claude
- THIEBAUT, Gregory
- TRAN, Tin
- WARD, Joseph

APPROVE ELECTRICAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- GARG, Kamal
- SIANEZ, Antonio

APPROVE MECHANICAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- KASHANIAN, Sam
- MCCALL, Joshua
- PETERMAN, Karl
- TRAHEY, Paul

APPROVE STRUCTURAL ENGINEER BY
ENDORSEMENT

- COCKE, David
- HAGHIGHI, Daryoush
- NASCIMENTO, Guilherme
- RAMEY, Larry

APPROVE STRUCTURAL ENGINEER BY
ENDORSEMENT

- UECKE, Steven
- WHITTINGHILL, Chad

APPROVE ENGINEER BY EXAM (PE)

- MAO, Chien Ping (CE)

DEFER CIVIL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- ADAMS, Kay
- HALDANE, Andrew
- NASCIMENTO, Guilherme

DEFER ELECTRICAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- HATCH, Robert
- NEUPANE, Pankaj

DEFER INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- KIRKMAN, David

DEFER MECHANICAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- ELIOPULOS, Robert
- HENSKI, Miroslaw

DEFER STRUCTURAL ENGINEER BY ENDORSEMENT

- PARSONS, Gregory
- PATEL, Dasharath

DEFER ENGINEER BY EXAM (PE)

- RABY, Landon (CE)

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

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 13, 2012
9:00 a.m.
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Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Jennifer Fong

Jennifer Fong
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ James Kobashigawa

James Kobashigawa
Executive Officer

11/26/12

Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes _____.