

## Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board

The Iowa Engineering and Land Surveying Board met on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 200 East Grand, Suite 350, Des Moines, Iowa. Board members present for all or part of the meeting: Jerry Shellberg, Chair, Christy VanBuskirk, Marlee Walton, Marlon Vogt, Howard Stewart and Robert Fairfax. Absent: Rita Perea. Staff attending: Pam Griebel, Assistant Attorney General; Robert Lampe, Executive Officer and Sandy Malek, Bureau Investigator. Guest: Lori SchraderBachar, Site Manager.

Chair Shellberg called the meeting to order 10:00 a.m. Quorum was established.

### **AGENDA**

There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

### **MINUTES**

MOTION VanBuskirk, second by Vogt, that the minutes of the November 20, 2014 open session meeting be approved as written. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by VanBuskirk, second by Stewart, that the minutes of the November 20, 2014 closed session meeting be approved as written. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by VanBuskirk, second by Walton, that the minutes of the November 20, 2014 hearing deliberation closed session be approved as written. Motion carried unanimously.

### **CHAIR'S COMMENTS**

None.

### **SITE MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

SchraderBachar reported the Bureau is in the process of hiring a clerk specialist. The Bureau newsletter will be available late February or early March. SchraderBachar encouraged the Board members to submit articles to Lampe by February 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S COMMENTS**

None.

### **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

Lampe reported that the 2014 renewal process went very well and e-mail reminders will be sent to those who have not yet renewed. The office has received approximately ten (10) exam applicants for the April exams. Many more are expected before the application deadline of January 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE REPORT'**

Case #14-04 (Vogt recused) Wagner was discussed in open session since respondent is unlicensed. Lampe has provided a copy of the file to a peer reviewer for further investigation.

Vogt returned to meeting.

MOTION by VanBuskirk , second by Stewart that the Board enter into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a); 21.5(1)(d) and 272C.6(4). Roll call vote as follows: Vogt, aye; VanBuskirk, aye; Walton, aye; Shellberg, aye; Fairfax, aye; Stewart, aye. Upon the affirmative vote of all the members present the Board entered into closed session at 10:07 a.m. The Board returned to open session at 10:35 a.m. by motion of VanBuskirk, second by Stewart.

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Cases #11-10 and 13-13 Motion by VanBuskirk, second by Stewart, to close. Motion carried unanimously.

Case #13-04 Motion by VanBuskirk , second by Walton, to approve the Chair to sign the Consent Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Case #14-07 Motion by VanBuskirk, second by Fairfax, to close. Motion carried unanimously.

Case #14-18 Motion by VanBuskirk, second by Walton, to approve the Chair to sign the Consent Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMITY COMMITTEE REPORT**

MOTION by Vogt, second by Stewart, that the Board approve the issuance of licenses to the following comity applicants: Motion carried unanimously.

Harry Allen	Structural	John Baker	Civil
Anthony Barnes	Civil	Bryan Benjamin	Civil
Megan Beyer	Civil	Greg Boehm	Civil
Charles Campbell	Environmental	J. Steve Cillessen	Chemical
Marie Dennis	Civil	Tracy Dible	Mechanical
Gina Dullinger	Civil	Donald Dusenberry	Civil
Frank Egelhoff	Electrical	Kyle Faust	Civil
Troy Garland	Structural	Marsia Gelder-Murphey	Civil
Glenn Gerschke	Civil	Adam Ginsburg	Structural
Jeff Given	Mechanical	Robert Graverhold	Structural
J. Kent Higgins	Civil	Jerry Hohnbaum	Civil
Brent Johnson	Civil	Joseph R. Johnston	Civil
Shawn Kelley	Structural	Brad Kiehne	Electrical
Krisopher Kreh	Mechanical	Jamie Kronbeck	Mechanical
Evan Leicht	Structural	Dustin Lilya	Mechanical
John Macleod	Civil	Steven Marion	Civil
Joseph Marsh	Electrical	Michael Marshall	Civil
Terrance Maskil	Mechanical	William Matzek	Civil
Donald McCuskey	Civil	David Mehl	Civil
Paul Meiers	Mechanical	Michael Mitchell	Civil
Richard Montgomery	Civil	Michael Muehrer	Civil
Matthew Oedekoven	Civil	Brent Pond	Mechanical
Kevin Reiser	Mechanical	Hasan Reza	Civil
April Ricketts	Mechanical	Steven Riggs	Civil
Christina Salchow	Structural	Chris Saxby	Civil

Eldon Schneider	Civil	Ryan Shropshire	Civil
John Skidmore	Civil	John Smith	Civil
David Stamfli	Electrical	Stephanie Stolz	Civil
Douglas Sweeney	Structural	Andrew Synhurst	Civil
Timothy Taylor	Structural	Gregory Titterington	Mechanical
Le Tran	Electrical	Michael Vahabzadegan	Civil
Joseph Vavrek	Electrical	Richard Vedvik	Electrical
Andrew Walther	Electrical	Kimberly Wandersee	Civil
Matthew Weidner	Structural	George Whitcomb	Electrical
Lucas White	Environmental	Steven Zsinko	Civil

MOTION by Vogt, second by Fairfax, to deny comity applicant Timothy Gobel reviewed by the Board for Land Surveying. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Vogt, second by Fairfax, to defer the following comity application reviewed by the Board: Justin Jensen, Land Surveying. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Vogt, second by Fairfax, to deny the following comity application reviewed by the Board: Jeffrey Byrkit, Structural. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Vogt, second by Fairfax, to approve the following comity applications reviewed by the Board: Rafik Gerges, Structural; Paul Hansen, Electrical; James Lockwood, Civil and Structural; Nicholas Schneider, Civil and Structural; and Thomas Wells, Civil and Structural. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the reconsideration of comity applicant Reza Zahedi. The Board determined that applicant possesses a qualifying degree, and instructed Lampe to communicate with the applicant regarding reference issues to be resolved in order to consider the applicant's eligibility for the PE exam.

#### **LEGISLATION/RULES COMMITTEE**

After discussion MOTION by Stewart, second by Vogt, to notice changes to IAC193C 7.3(2) and IAC193C 9.3. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held concerning the Rolling Rules Review under Iowa Code 17A.7(2). Once the Board identifies rules needing review VanBuskirk and Vogt volunteered to then use NCEES model rules to help facilitate cohesiveness. Vogt would like more CEU audits performed. The Education Director for the Real Estate Commission will be available to assist in the future. Lampe suggested that if he was granted authority from the Board to approve applicants of dual licensing and for those with foreign degrees then the Comity Committee would have additional time to review rules and/or to perform education audits. Lampe already grants licensure for standard comity applicants.

MOTION by Walton, second by Stewart, to grant Lampe additional authority to approve applicants of dual licensing and for those with foreign degrees evaluated to be equivalent. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion was held concerning the PDH exemption request by Ian J. McAlister, P.E. He was requesting an exemption from the continuing education requirement for his 2014 renewal in accordance with 193C IAC 7.6. The Board agreed to waive 7 hours but that McAlister would have to complete the another 21 hours by June 30, 2015. These hours could not then be used for his next renewal. He also had 2 hours of carryover to use.

Lampe handed out a report from NCEES of the 2014 exams.

January 26, 2015 was selected as the date the Board will meet to review exam applications. The meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m.

Discussion was held on the upcoming NCEES joint zone meeting. MOTION by Fairfax, second by Vogt to send Walton and Stewart as the voting delegates; VanBuskirk as Zone Vice-President; and Lampe as staff. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held concerning a request from John Iverson as to whether an on-line program from Sanford-Brown would be an acceptable degree towards obtaining an Iowa land surveyor license. Based on the information provided the Board does not feel Iverson would meet all of the licensing requirements.

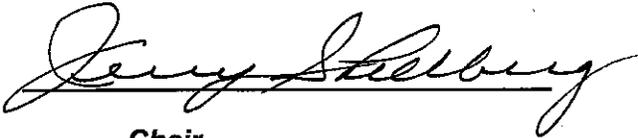
#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Work Log: Stewart had nothing to report at this time.

Design Build: Griebel advised the Board that the issue of construction solicitation methods authorized under the Regents' statutes is outside of the Board's jurisdiction.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

***These minutes accurately reflect the minutes approved by the Board at the meeting on March 12, 2015.***

  
**Chair**