**Occupational and Professional Licensing**

**District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors**

**1100 4th Street SW; Suite 500**

**Washington, DC 20024**

**May 25, 2023**

**Meeting Minutes**

***This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act.  Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at******opengovoffice@dc.gov****.” 3 DCMR § 10409.2*

The District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 25, 2023, 2023, at 11:06 AM. This meeting was held virtually.

**Attendance**

Board Members Present: Mr. Barry Lucas, Chairman, Mr. Sam Wilson, Mr. Roland Carter, Mr. Michael McKenna, Ms. Mary Jean Pajak

Board Staff: Ms. Avis Pearson, Board Administrator, Ms. Jah-mai Jefferson, Program Support Specialist, Ms. Stephanie Johnston, Program Support Specialist, Mr. Kevin Cyrus, Education Specialist

Legal Counsel: Mr. Justin Orrison, Esq.

Public Guest: Mr. Loren Meeder, Mr. Noah Bell, Mr. Anthony Scerbo, Board of Ethics

 and Government Accountability (BEGA)

**Agenda Item: Comments from the Public**

Mr. Bell and Mr. Meeder inquired about the status of their applications. Ms. Pearson will follow up with both Applicants after the meeting.

**Agenda Item: Draft Minutes**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Carter and properly seconded by Ms. Pajak, the Board voted unanimously to approve the February 23, 2023, meeting minutes.

**Agenda Item: Application Approvals**

Upon motion duly made by Mr. McKenna and properly seconded by Mr. Carter the Board voted unanimously to approve the May 25, 2023, list of administrative-approved Professional Engineers applications for licensure, attached hereto and made a part of the May 25, 2023, minutes.

**Agenda Item: Old Business**

The NCEES Combined Zone Meeting was held April 27-29, 2022. It was attended by Mr. Carter, Mr. Lucas, Ms. Pearson and Mr. Wilson. Mr. Wilson was elected for the NE Zone Vice President.

Mr. Lucas and Ms. Pearson participated in the Annual Career Day at Savoy Elementary School on March 24, 2023. The students were enthusiastic and very appreciative of the presentation. The school needs volunteers to assist with events. Ms. Pearson will forward additional information to the Board if anyone is interested in volunteering at the school.

**Agenda Item: New Business**

The NCEES Annual Meeting will be held in Boston, MA; August 14-18, 2023. Mr. Lucas, Ms. Pajak, Ms. Pearson, and Mr. Wilson have confirmed attendance.

The 2024 Interim Zone Meeting will be held in DC. The Board Committee will work with Ms. McAllister, NCEES to plan for this event.

The Board will host a virtual Education Forum in the fall. This Forum will provide licensees an opportunity to obtain CE’s. Additional information will follow about this event in future meetings.

Ms. Pearson will contact schools to schedule fall outreach for the Board. In addition to colleges, the Board hopes to visit elementary, middle and high schools to talk about the profession and the importance of licensure.

**Agenda Item: Executive Session** – **(Closed to the Public)**

Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (4) (A); D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (9) and 13.

The Board did not enter Executive Session.

**Agenda Item: Recommendations**

The Board reviewed correspondence from Mr. Arndt, ANS, regarding the discontinuance of the PE Nuclear Exam. Mr. Cox, NCEES CEO, has addressed this concern. The PE Nuclear exam has not been discontinued this exam. It has been placed on probation for two exam administrations, 2023 and 2024 due to the low number of candidates. The complete response will be forwarded to the Board and posted to the meeting minutes.

**Agenda Item: Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made by Ms. Pajak and properly seconded by Mr. Wilson, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:58am.

***The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 22, 2023 @ 11am.***

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Barry Lucas, Chairman

 \_Barry Lucas\_

 Date: **6/26/2023**

Recorder/transcriber: Avis Pearson, Board Administrator