



Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration

District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
1100 4th Street SW; Suite 500
Washington, DC 20024

January 27, 2022
Meeting Minutes

The District of Columbia Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors held its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 11:04 AM. The meeting was held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Attendance

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

Board Staff: Ms. Avis Pearson, Board Administrator; Mr. Leon Lewis, Executive Director, Mr. Kevin Cyrus, Education Coordinator

Legal Counsel: Mr. Patrick White, Esq.

Public Members: Mr. Roland Dreist, Mr. Mike Wiley, President, DCALS

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item: Draft Minutes

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the November 18, 2021, minutes.

Agenda Item: Application Approvals

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Carter and properly seconded by Mr. Wilson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the January 27, 2022, list of Professional Engineers applications for licensure, attached hereto and made a part of the January 27, 2022, minutes.

Agenda Item: Old Business

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board voted unanimously to sign the Resolution of Cooperation. This non-binding agreement is to facilitate interstate licensure for professional engineers and land surveyors.

An amendment of proposed legislation was submitted to the Board by DC Water for permanent consideration. The Engineering Temporary Amendment Act of 2021 presented during the October 2021 meeting is currently in place and is set to expire in late May or early June. This current legislation

provides a temporary relaxation of the Rules to allow for employees to work for the District Government under the supervision of a licensed engineer and engage in the profession without a license. DC Water has proposed that the Board consider making this Temporary Legislation permanent. The Board will provide feedback and submit to Ms. Monique Boccock, Esq. Senior Policy Advisor, DCRA, for consideration.

Agenda Item: New Business

Continuing education credits will be required at the next renewal. Twenty hours will be required for professional engineers to include a one-hour course in Ethics and twelve hours will be required for land surveyors to include an eight-hour course specific to surveying education to the District of Columbia and a course in Ethics.

Agenda Item: Review of Correspondence

No correspondence for review

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

The Board entered into Executive Session at 12:34 pm to discuss complaints/legal matters, applications and review the Legal Counsel Report. Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (4) (A); D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) (9) and 13.

Agenda Item: Recommendations

In the matter of Taylor and Besche vs Mr. Andrew Husbands - No action will be taken in this case.

In the matter of Mr. Larry Spielvogel vs Aquicore, - No action will be taken by the Board in this case.

In the matter of DCRA vs Mr. Fadil (916 Kennedy Street): Upon motion duly made by Mr. McKenna and properly seconded by Mr. Wilson the Board unanimously voted to move forward with preparing a document/notice to summarily suspend Mr. Fadil Abdelfatah license and to delegate the authority of conducting adjudicatory proceedings of the Summary Suspension to the Office of Administrative Hearings(OAH) for a hearing.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Wilson and properly seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board voted for Mr. Lewis to attend the Interim Zone meeting in Rhode Island in April 28-30, 2022.

Mr. Wilson will chair a subcommittee to discuss the planning of the 2024 Zone meeting. Mr. Carter and Ms. Pearson will also participate on this committee.

Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Carter and properly seconded by Mr. McKenna, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:32AM.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2022

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Barry Lucas, Chairman

Barry Lucas

Date: March 6, 2022

Recorder/transcriber: Avis Pearson, Board Administrator