

OPEN MINUTES
Professional Engineering Division of the
Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers,
Professional Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects

Cadillac B Meeting Room
Holiday Inn Southwest & Viking Conference Center
10709 Watson Road
St. Louis, Missouri
Monday, May 6, 2013

The Professional Engineering Division of the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects was called to order by Chairman Kevin Skibiski at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, May 6, 2013. A quorum being present, Chairman Skibiski declared the meeting open for business.

Members Present

Kevin Skibiski, Chair of the Division
Abiodun "Abe" Adewale, Member of the Division
Kelley P. Cramm, Member of the Division

Others Present

Sandra Robinson, Licensing Technician Supervisor
Kevin Oligschlaeger, Board Investigator
Curt Thompson, General Counsel

To better track the order in which items are taken up on the agenda, each item in the minutes will be listed in the order it was discussed in the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Adewale made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 28, 2013 Professional Engineering Division Open Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skibiski and carried with Ms. Cramm abstaining from voting because she was not present at the meeting.

Election of Exam Chair, a position which was previously held by Melissa Edwards

The Members of the Professional Engineering Division discussed the position of Exam Chair, which had just recently been vacated by Ms. Melissa Edwards, P.E., who had

resigned on April 2, 2013 to accept employment in Nashville, Tennessee. Upon discussion, Ms. Cram volunteered to serve as Exam Chair for the Professional Engineering Division.

Possible Changes to the Board Rules and/or Chapter 327 RSMo (For information and/or discussion)

The Professional Engineering Division discussed the possible changes to Chapter 327 RSMo and Board Rules. Chairman Skibiski stated that he had received written support from ACEC regarding the proposed changes to Chapter 327 RSMo. He also stated that he had talked with Mr. Ben Ross, P.E., regarding concerns he had with some of the proposed changes. This matter was presented for informational purposes and no further action was taken.

Should the Board/Division change the use of the term “Engineer”?

Mr. Adewale stated that while attending the St. Louis ACEC meeting, he had been asked by Mr. Brad Nevois, Assistant Director of Engineering for the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, if the Boar had taken a stance on the use of the term “Engineer” in publications, business cards, etc. Mr. Nevois later followed up with an email to Mr. Adewale. Mr. Adewale advised the Division Members that he had told Mr. Nevois the Board had discussed this matter and would continue to hold discussions regarding the term “Engineer.” Mr. Thompson stated that the Board would have to look at changing the statutes if the Division could come to an agreement to change the use of the term “Engineer.” Chairman Skibiski stated that he thought it would be best for the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE) to put a task force together to review this matter and come up with a recommendation. Chairman Skibiski stated that both licensed Professional Engineers and those covered under the industrial exempt should weigh in on the subject. Chairman Skibiski stated he would talk to Mr. Bruce Wylie, Executive Director for MSPE, about forming such a task force.

Discuss the 2016 NCEES Central Zone meeting to be held in Branson, Missouri

Chairman Skibiski discussed the 2016 NCEES Central Zone meeting with the Division Members. The meeting is to be held in Branson, Missouri preferably at the Hilton on the Landing. Chairman Skibiski stated that NCEES would be limited on locations to accommodate approximately 200 people. Mr. Adewale stated he had talked to the Southern Zone Vice President about joining in with the Central Zone in 2016. No official invitation has been extended.

Update from Kelley Cramm regarding the April 23rd Structural Engineering Licensure Panel Discussion

Ms. Cramm provided an update to the Division Members regarding her participation in the April 23rd Structural Engineering Licensure Panel Discussion. Ms. Cramm said that the panel wanted Missouri to offer the Structural exam. In fact, several members on the panel wanted Missouri to license Structural Engineers. Former Board Member Cheri Leigh was on the panel and was interested in Missouri pursuing licensure for Structural Engineers. The Professional Engineering Division Members were interested in knowing how many Structural Engineering candidates would take the exam each year. The Division Members would need to know this information before considering offering the exam. Ms. Cramm stated that, in particular, the young engineers were interested in licensure of structural engineers. Ms. Cramm advised that this panel was also interested in the B + 30 issue and how it will affect the Structural Engineering exam.

Motion to Close

At approximately 8:32 a.m., Chairman Skibiski called for a motion to close the meeting to the general public for the purpose of discussing confidential or privileged communications between this agency and its attorney as well as to discuss pending litigation and complaint matters. Mr. Adewale made a motion that the meeting be closed to the general public pursuant to Chapter 610.021 subsection (14) and Sections 324.001.8 and 324.001.9, RSMo for the purpose of discussing investigative reports, complaints, audits and/or other information pertaining to licensees or applicants; Chapter 610.021 subsection (1) RSMo for the purpose of discussing general legal action, causes of action or litigation and any confidential or privileged communication between this agency and its attorney, and for the purpose of reviewing and approving closed meeting minutes of one or more previous meetings under Chapter 610.021 RSMo which authorizes this agency to go into closed session during these meetings. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cramm. A roll call vote was taken and the motion unanimously carried. Chairman Skibiski asked all visitors to please leave the room. There being none, Chairman Skibiski then declared the meeting closed to the general public.

Reconvene in Open Session

At approximately 5:12 p.m., the Professional Engineering Division Members reconvened in Open Session for the purpose of adjourning.

Adjournment

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Adewale seconded by Ms. Cramm and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

Executive Director

Date Approved:_____