

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

Salon D Meeting Room
Adams Pointe Conference Center
1400 NE Coronado Drive
Blue Springs, Missouri
Monday, August 5, 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, August 5, 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

Judy Kempker, Executive Director
Sandra Robinson, Licensing Technician Supervisor
Curt Thompson, Board's General Counsel

To better track the order in which items were 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

On motion of Ms. Cramm, seconded by Mr. Adewale and unanimously carried, the minutes for the May 6, 2013 Professional Engineering Division Open Meeting; May 7, 2013 Professional Engineering Division Open Meeting; and, May 23, 2013 Professional Engineering Division Open Conference Call were approved as submitted.

Discuss email and letter from Mr. Masami Yoshimoto, President of Japan PE/FE Examiners Council (JPEC) wherein he ask whether the Missouri Board will accept the licensure applications for Professional Engineer for engineers who have passed the PE exam administered by NCEES/JPEC in Japan?

The Members of the Professional Engineering Division discussed the email and letter from Mr. Masami Yoshimoto, President of Japan PE/FE Examiners Council (JPEC) wherein he asks whether the Missouri Board will accept the licensure applications for Professional Engineer for engineers who have passed the PE exam administered by NCEES/JPEC in Japan? After much discussion, Mr. Adewale made a motion directing Ms. Kempker to send an email response to Mr. Yoshimoto, with a copy to NCEES Executive Director Jerry Carter, advising that the Missouri Board will agree to accept the applications for PE licensure for the engineers who have passed the FE and PE exams administered by NCEES/JPEC in Japan providing the applicants engineering degree is part of the Washington Accord or their engineering degree is evaluated and found equivalent to an ABET accredited degree and they have four years of satisfactory engineering experience. Furthermore, she is to advise that we require (by statute) the submission of Social Security numbers; however, a citizen of a foreign country applying for licensure with the Board shall be required to submit his or her visa or passport identification number in lieu of the Social Security number. Ms. Kempker is also to explain that although Missouri does not require residency from someone seeking initial licensure, all applicants who do not reside in Missouri must submit a letter with their application explaining why they wish to be licensed in this state versus the state or country they reside in. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cramm. A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

Please note that Kevin Oligschlaeger, Board Investigator, joined the meeting at 8:15 a.m.

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

Mr. Skibiski reported that a few of the APELSLA Board Members and Ms. Kempker met with the Design Alliance on July 24th. It was decided by those members present, to remove the controversial language to increase the educational requirements of the Professional Land Surveyor applicants and to then move forward filing a bill this upcoming legislative session. Mr. Skibiski stated that he will make this same recommendation to the full Board on Tuesday, August 6th.

Discuss email and attached correspondence from Dick Cottingham regarding Early Taking of NCEES PE exam

The Professional Engineering Division Members discussed the email and attached correspondence from Mr. Dick Cottingham regarding the early taking of the NCEES Professional Engineer's examination. The Division Members decided to table this matter for further discussion since this issue will be discussed at the upcoming NCEES Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Skibiski directed Ms. Kempker to place this matter on the Professional Engineering Division's Agenda for further discussion at its meeting on November 4, 2013.

Additional Agenda Items:

Review and discuss memo and copy of a motion that Ohio will introduce at the NCEES annual meeting regarding a proposed change to NCEES Bylaws which would allow two votes per state/territory rather than one vote per member board

The Members of the Professional Engineering Division discussed a memo received from NCEES Executive Director Jerry Carter regarding a motion that Ohio will introduce at the NCEES annual meeting regarding a proposed change to NCEES Bylaws which would allow two votes per state/territory rather than one vote per member board. The Members of the Division decided that they were in favor of this change and would recommend to the full Board on Tuesday, August 6th that Missouri cast a vote in favor of the change to the bylaws at the NCEES annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas.

Review and discuss position statement concerning the licensure of returning veterans which was adopted by the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) Board of Directors at their annual meeting conducted in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The Division Members discussed the position statement concerning the licensure of returning veterans which was adopted by the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) Board of Directors at their annual meeting conducted in Minneapolis, Minnesota. A copy of this position statement was provided to Member Boards by NCEES President Dinkins for consideration and any action deemed appropriate. Upon discussion, the Division Members decided that the Missouri Board is already complying with the request by waiving the continuing education requirement for active duty military personnel when renewing by allowing a military person to renew his/her license within 60 days of completing such military service without penalty should it expire while performing military service; by allowing a nonresident spouse of an active duty member of the military who is transferred to this state in the course of the member's military duty to obtain a Temporary Courtesy License; and, by accepting postsecondary institutions to accept credits for courses that the military

awarded to personnel as part of their training if the courses meet certain standards for academic credit. Therefore, no further action was deemed necessary.

Please note that Ms. Kempker left the meeting at approximately 8:45 a.m.

Motion to Close

At 8:45 a.m., Chairman Skibiski called for a motion to close the meeting to the general public for the purpose of discussing disciplinary and complaint matters. Mr. Adewale made a motion that the meeting be closed to the general public pursuant to the provisions of Sections 610.021(1) and (14), and 324.001.8, RSMo, for the purpose of discussing complaint matters. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cramm. A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried. Chairman Skibiski asked that all visitors leave the room. There being none, the meeting was declared closed to the general public.

Reconvene in Open Session

At 1:16 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 Ms. Cramm seconded by Mr. Adewale and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m..

ATTEST:

Executive Director

Date Approved:_____