

**OPEN MINUTES
PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYING DIVISION
OF THE MISSOURI BOARD FOR ARCHITECTS,
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, PROFESSIONAL LAND
SURVEYORS AND PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

Thursday, November 20, 2014

The Professional Land Surveying Division of the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Professional Landscape Architects met via telephone conference call and was called to order by Chairman Mike Freeman at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2014. A quorum being present, Chairman Freeman declared the meeting open for business.

Members Present

Michael C. Freeman, Chair of the Division
Daniel L. Govero, Member of the Division
J. Michael Flowers, Member of the Division

Others Present

Judy Kempker, Executive Director
Sandy Robinson, Licensing Technician Supervisor
Karen Payne, Licensing Technician II
Curt Thompson, 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.

Discuss email from Mr. Adam Teale, PLS-2004001336 wherein he offers responses to the Missouri Society of Professional Surveyors' questions regarding educational requirements for taking the Land Surveyor-in-Training examination

The Members of the Professional Land Surveying Division discussed an email from Adam Teale, PLS-2004001336, wherein he offers responses to the Missouri Society of Professional Surveyors' questions regarding educational requirements for taking the Land Surveyor-in-Training examination. Upon discussion, Mr. Flowers made a motion directing Ms. Kempker to approve the "original" proposal of 30 hours with Option 3 being eliminated 8 years after passage as is outlined below, with one minor exception. The Professional Land Surveying Division

Members recommended requiring 5 hours in Legal Aspects of Boundary Surveys instead of 6 and 4 hours in Surveying B instead of 3. The outline is as follows:

PROPOSED 327.312

OPTION 1: Baccalaureate degree in an approved curriculum with at least 30 hours of approved surveying course work of which 6 hours shall be in legal aspects. No field experience required.

OPTION 2: Passed 60 hours of college credit of which 30 hours must be of approved surveying course work and 6 hours shall be in legal aspects. 1 year field experience.

OPTION 3: Passed 30 hours of approved surveying course work of which 6 hours shall be in legal aspects. 2 years of field experience.

This would go into effect 4 years after passage and Option 3 would be eliminated 8 years after passage.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Approximately four (4) years ago Board of Registration ask MSPS to look at increasing education hours from 12-30.

Math (6) hours

Communication & Business (6) hours

Science (3) hours

Surveying A (6) hours

Surveying B (3) hours **(Change to 4 hours)**

Legal Aspects of Boundary Surveys (6) hours **(Change to 5 hours)**

Mr. Flowers directed Ms. Kempker to send an email response to Mr. Teale advising of the Professional Land Surveying Division Members recommendations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Govero and unanimously carried.

While discussing educational requirements for Land Surveyors-In-Training, the Division Members also decided to table the Board's November 11, 2014 motion to move forward with filing the Proposed Amendment to Board Rule 20 CSR 2030-8.020 Professional Land Surveyor-Professional Development Units and instead directed Ms. Kempker to place this matter back on the Professional Land Surveying Division's January 2015 quarterly agenda for further discussion; specifically regarding nonpersonal contact hours.

Discuss Board Member Kevin Skibiski's proposed changes to the Position Paper produced pursuant to the change in Section 327.272, RSMo

The Professional Land Surveying Division Members discussed Board Member Kevin Skibiski's proposed changes to the Position Paper produced pursuant to the change in Section 327.272, RSMo. Upon discussion, the Division Members

agreed with Mr. Skibiski's edits with the exception of one change in the last sentence of paragraph 1 to read, "If the recording of a property description is not required, the law remains unchanged." The Position Paper will now read as follows:

Pursuant to the change in Section 327.272, RSMo, which became effective August 28, 2014, it is the position of the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Professional Landscape Architects that the creation of any new recordable property description shall be prepared by a Professional Land Surveyor. **Please note: If the recording of a property description is not required, the laws remains unchanged.**

For enforcement purposes, if the new recordable property description is prepared by anyone other than a Professional Land Surveyor, such action would be considered the unlicensed practice of land surveying and that person would be subject to action per Section 327.281, RSMo.

A new recordable property description is defined as a description for any tract of land that is not already identified in the public record. The Professional Land Surveyor preparing a new property description is reminded that the creation of the description is also subject to requirements as set forth by Chapter 60, RSMo.

Once the Position Paper is in final format, the Members of the Professional Land Surveying Division directed Ms. Kempker to proceed with the directive given by the Board at its November 10 and 11, 2014 meeting which was to: 1) send a hard copy (via United States Mail) of the Position Paper along with a copy of the letter from Kelly Lucas, Right of Way Director at the Missouri Department of Transportation with a cover memo to all Missouri licensed Professional Land Surveyors; 2) send the Position Paper along with a copy of the letter from Kelly Lucas, Right of Way Director at the Missouri Department of Transportation, with a cover memo to all Missouri licensed Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors via GovDelivery; 3) include the Position Paper in the Board's next newsletter; and, 4) post the Position Paper on the Board's website.

Discuss Dr. Richard Elgin's suggestions regarding the new percentages on the Missouri State Specific Examination

The Members of the Professional Land Surveying Division reviewed and discussed Dr. Elgin's suggestions regarding the new percentages on the Missouri State Specific Examination. Before finalizing the percentages for Part I, Mr. Freeman directed Ms. Kempker to contact the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) to request an exam breakdown on the

subject matter for the Fundamentals of Surveying examination and the Principles and Practice of Surveying examination. Ms. Kempker is to ask NCEES to provide this information as soon as practicable. As to Part II, the Division Members directed Ms. Kempker to ask Dr. Elgin to proceed with adjusting the percentages on Part II as previously instructed but to hold the changes to Part I in abeyance until the Professional Land Surveying Division Members have time to review the information from NCEES.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Govero and seconded by Mr. Flowers to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m. on November 20, 2014.

Executive Director

Date Approved:_____