

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS,  
SURVEYORS AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS  
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division  
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs  
State of Hawaii

**MINUTES OF MEETING<sup>1</sup>**

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").

Date: Thursday, October 1, 2020

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar  
<https://dcca-hawaii-gov.zoom.us/j/91797344825>

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Present: Ken Ota, Chairperson, Public Member  
Brian Fujiwara, Architect Member  
Marc Ventura, Architect Member  
Roberto Yumol, Architect Member  
Clayton Pang, Electrical Member  
Ron Iwamoto, Structural Engineer  
Richard Suzuki, Civil Engineer  
Dan Hirota, Land Surveyor Member, Vice Chairperson  
Alan Inaba, Land Surveyor Member  
Jay Ishibashi, Public Member  
Janet Primiano, Public Member  
Benedict Lee, Landscape Architect Member, Secretary

Staff: Christopher Leong, Esq., Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")  
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer ("EO")  
Charlene Tamanaha, Licensing Administrator  
LaJoy Lindsey, Secretary  
Kelly Wei, Secretary  
Kellie Teraoka, PVL Secretary  
Karyn Takahashi, Director's Secretary  
Terry Akasaka-Toyama, Deputy Director's Secretary

Excused: None.

Zoom Webinar  
Guests: Johanna Vasquez

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<sup>1</sup>Comments from the public were solicited on each agenda item. If no public comments were given, the solicitation for and lack of public comment are not explicitly stated in these minutes.

A short video was played to explain the meeting procedure and how members of the public could participate in the virtual meeting.

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Ota called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Roll Call: Chair Ota welcomed everyone to the meeting and proceeded with a roll call of the Board members. Roll call was taken by Chairperson Ota. Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano were all present.

At this time, Chair Ota announced the Board's procedural format for agenda matters and stated that the meeting will end no later than 12:00 p.m.

Agenda: Additions and Revisions EO Matsushima advised the Board that agenda items 10 and 11 should be numbered as items 7 and 8.

Election of Officers Chairperson Ota asked for a motion for new Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Mr. Suzuki made a motion and nominated Mr. Hirota as Chairperson; Mr. Fujiwara seconded. Mr. Yumol then made a motion and nominated Mr. Fujiwara as Vice Chairperson; Mr. Lee seconded. A roll call vote was taken for the motions for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to accept nominations for the new officers. At this point, Chairperson Hirota assumed duties from former Chairperson Ota.

Approval of Minutes It was moved by Mr. Inaba and seconded by Mr. Suzuki to approve the minutes of March 12, 2020. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Chapter 91,  
Adjudicatory  
Matters

- a. In the Matter of the Application for an Engineer's License of John Liu, ENG-LIC-2019-002;
- b. In the Matter of the Application for an Engineering License of Shuangling Shang, ENG-LIC-2019-004

RECESS: IN: 10:15 a.m. OUT: 10:27 a.m.

At 10:15 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Suzuki and seconded by Mr. Inaba to enter in to recess to discuss adjudicatory matters. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to enter in to recess to discuss adjudicatory matters. Board members and staff entered into Microsoft Teams.

At 10:27 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Inaba and seconded by Mr. Suzuki to exit recess and return to open session. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to exit recess and return to open session. Board members and staff returned to the Zoom meeting.

John Liu, ENG-LIC-2019-002

In the matter of the Board's Final Order ("BFO") for Mr. John Liu, it was moved by Mr. Ventura and seconded by Mr. Fujiwara to accept the BFO. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted to accept the BFO. Mr Suzuki abstained as he participated in Mr. Liu's administrative hearing as a witness.

Shuangling Shang, ENG-LIC-2019-004

In the matter of the BFO for Mr. Shuangling Shang, it was moved by Mr. Suzuki, and seconded by Mr, Yumol to accept the BFO. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to accept the BFO for Mr. Shang.

Applications: "a" through "e". Ratifications

EO Matsushima read each name on the ratifications list.

EASLA OCTOBER 1, 2020 - RATIFICATION LIST:

Engineer by Endorsement:

ANDERSON, Charles	Civil
ANDERSON, David	Civil
ANDRIANO, Anthony	Electrical
AXSOM, Erich	Structural
BARBA, Julian	Civil
BENEDETTI, Giancarlo	Structural

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BLAKEMAN, Jamie Ann	Civil
BONSIGNORE, Joseph	Civil
BOWEN, Taylor	Structural
BOWIE, Justin	Mechanical
BROWN, Alan J	Electrical
BURKE, James	Structural
BURTNESS, Thomas	Electrical
CAIN, Colby	Civil
CAPPELLO, Matthew	Mechanical
CARLSEN, Christopher	Mechanical
CHAU, Christa	Structural
CHERNEY, Shane	Mechanical
CHRISTENSEN, Kevin	Electrical
CHRISTENSEN, Peter	Electrical
CLAPPER, Bryan	Structural
CRUMP, Kevin	Civil
CURRY, Peter	Structural
DEEMS, Brandon	Structural
DENTIONO, Robert	Civil
DREYFUS, Daniel	Civil
DURBIN, Harrison J.	Civil
EICH, Steven	Electrical
ELLISON, Kirk	Civil
EWERT, Thomas C.	Structural
FACCAS, David	Electrical
FAINO, Nicolaus	Mechanical
FAJARDO, Mel	Electrical
FEI, Robert	Industrial
FREES, Aaron	Mechanical
FREITAS, Jason	Civil
GENTRUP, Michael	Electrical
GILBERT, Elaine	Civil
GORDON, Richard	Mechanical
GRUBERMAN, Randal	Electrical
HALL, Christopher	Structural
HARDIE, Ryan	Structural
HATCH, Jr., Norman	Civil
HEDMAN, Erik	Civil
HILL, Stuart	Electrical
HINTON, Darren	Civil
HOERAUF, Robert G.	Electrical
IBARRA, Joshua	Electrical
IVANCEVIC, Zoran	Electrical
JACOBE, James	Civil
JACOBSON, David	Structural
JOHNSON, Brian	Mechanical
JOHNSON, Natalie	Mechanical
JORDAN, Justin	Electrical

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KARSTETTER, Eric	Electrical
KAUO, Anna Maria	Civil
KESTER, Brian	Mechanical
KIKUTA, Jason	Civil
KLAWITTER, Scott	Electrical
KNOFF, Mark	Civil
KOLEINI, Seyed Ali	Civil
LANG, James T.	Structural
LI, Jamie	Mechanical
MATTHEWS, Michael	Mechanical
McELHANY, Joseph A.	Civil
McGRAW, Ryan David	Structural
McGUIRE, Michael	Electrical
McINTYRE, John	Civil
McKENNEY, Timothy	Mechanical
McLEOD, Donald	Electrical
MENA, Hugo	Electrical
MERRELL, Preston	Civil
MOORE, Michael	Electrical
MYER, Michael	Mechanical
NEFF, Darren	Structural
NELSON, Kirk	Structural
NEYRINCK, Kimberly	Civil
NIGBUR, Kenneth	Mechanical
PAGE, Jason L.	Electrical
PATEL, Narendrabhai	Mechanical
PERKINS, John T.	Structural
PFISTERER, John	Electrical
PHILHOWER, Jason	Electrical
PICKETT, Bransford	Mechanical
PIERCE, Michael	Civil
PORTER, Troy	Electrical
PRISLINGER, Sean	Electrical
RALPHS, Dean	Electrical
SEVERNS, David Alan	Civil
SLENTZ, Loren	Civil
SPAUDIE, Rachel Ann	Electrical
STOJQANOVIC, Aleksandr	Electrical
STUBBS, Michael	Structural
TAYLOR, Josepha	Civil
TEANI, Lucas	Civil
THANGA, Tharani	Structural
TOHID, Usama	Mechanical
VAN AUKEN, Matthew	Civil
VEACH, Kenneth	Structural
VIMALARAJ, Panchalingam	Civil
WIENERT, Michael	Structural
WOOD, Bobbie	Structural

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WOOD, Thomas	Civil
YOON, Hyung	Structural
ZOLFAPHARIPOUR, Hamid	Electrical

Exam-PE:

AU, Kimberly	Civil
AU, Tiffany L.	Electrical
CHEN, Wei-Hann	Electrical
CUEVA, Whitney Y. N.	Civil
DOHERTY, Austin	Electrical
DOMINGO, Avery John	EE (not CE)
EBESUNO, Derick	Mechanical
ELWIR, Jawad	Civil
HIRANO, Kyle M.	Civil
INOUE, Masafume	Mechanical
ITAGAKI, Ricky M.	Civil
IWAMI, Bryce	Structural
JUHRE, Grace	Civil
KOGE, Daniel H.	Civil
KRUSE, Cameron	Electrical
LaFAVE, Maile	Civil
MILLIGAN, Jonathan	Structural
MINEKER, Dawn G.	Civil
MONTALBO, Bryce	Civil
MURAKAMI, Matthew	Civil
NAGAMINE, Shotaro	Mechanical
ONAGA, Jeffrey B.	Civil
PANDARAOAN, Clinton	Civil
PASCUA, Kaily	Civil
PERKINS, Cory A.	Electrical (not yet licensed)
RAMOS, Royce	Electrical
SHIRAKI, Jake L.	Civil
SPRAGUE, Travis	Civil
TAGORDA, Mark	Civil
UEMURA, Kelcie	Civil
WAYNE, Blade	Civil
WEIDKNECHT, Edmund	Structural
WILLIAMS, Robert K.	Civil
WONG, Justin	FE and Electrical

Landscape Architect – Exam:

FARIS, Dorothy	Exam – Hawaii State
PRICE, Ty	Exam – Hawaii State

Land Surveyor - Exam:

HOWE, Douglas  
MORROW, Matthew

Exam – Hawaii State  
Exam – Hawaii State

Architect by Endorsement:

ARMSTRONG, James  
BARMAS, Alesandr  
BOSWELL, Clifton  
BOURGEOIS, Jason  
CAO, Longji  
CARROLL, Rory  
CLARK, Daniel  
CURRY, Glen  
DACUMOS, Don M.  
FINK, Brian  
GARRETT, Brian D.  
HARRIS, Audrey  
HAVIKEN, Sherri Lynn  
HILL, Leo Stephen  
HUBER, Ann Bennett  
INMAN, Joshua  
LICHOMSKI, Peter  
LOWERY, Kenneth  
MARR, Alfredo  
MATSUNO, Osamu  
McCLELLAN, Regan  
McKIM, Jonathan  
MORI, Toshiko  
MUNOZ, Gennifer  
OU, Bruce  
PRICE, William  
ROMEY, Winfield  
SCHMIDT, Randall  
SCHMIDT, Shelly  
SCHWARZWALDER, Scott  
SMITH, Keith  
SQUIER II, Wells  
SWEENEY, Dale  
TILLET, Tanya  
TURNER, Ronald  
VAN KAY, R. Douglas  
WEBBER, Dana Lynn  
WILLIAMS, Kirk  
WYGODA, Shlomo

Architect by Exam:

ANDERSON, Kevin

DEFERRED APPLICATIONS:

BRITTON, Trevar	Mechanical
BROOKBANK, Brandon	Civil
BUCKMAN, Jocelyn	Civil
BURNAZYAN, Gegam	Civil
CHARLESWORTH, Tanya Lou	Structural
CHARLESWORTH, Tanya	Civil
CLARK, Jonathan	Civil
COURTER, Brent	Structural
DINSMORE, Tamara	Architect
EARWOOD, Rodney	Civil
ENOCHS, Brandon	Civil
GAMBLE, Joshua	Electrical
GONZALEZ, Hector	Civil
GUANIERE, Maxwell	Civil
HAGUE, Steven	Structural (Restoration)
HEPWORTH, David	Mechanical
HOWARD, Scott	Structural
IIGA-SAOLE, Tiffany	Electrical (Exam)
JANI, Hemendra	Electrical
KARAS, Jeremy	Architect
KENDALL, Jesse	Structural
LANE, Travis	Mechanical
LASICH, Andrew	Structural
LOPEZ-RIOS, Wilberto	Electrical
LORD, Matthew	Mechanical
MACIAS, Anthony P.	Civil (Exam)
MAHANEY, James	Structural
MEHTA, Manish	Civil
MOHAMMAD, Amed Shaban	Civil/Structural
MORIOKA, Matthew	Civil (Exam)
NOE, Gerald	Architect
OLSON, David	Mechanical
PETERSON, David John	Structural
RAMEY, Shannon	Mechanical
RAMIREZ, Hector	Structural
REPPUHN, Nikolas Yong Bok	Civil (Exam, not yet licensed)
SARKKINEN, Douglas	Civil
SEBASTIAN, Kevin	Electrical (Exam)
SEPANTAIE, Amir Mohammad	Structural
TOTTEN, Craig	Civil
TOTTEN, Craig	Structural
TOWELLS, Darren B.	Structural
TUTAK, Andrew	Mechanical
URIBE, Marc	Mechanical



WEBB, Christopher	Mechanical
WEBB, Matthew	Civil
WERNERT, John	Civil
WESLEY, Daniel	Mechanical
WILLOUGHBY, Thomas	Mechanical
XIA, Lian Wu	Mechanical

The following applications were denied on the basis of not meeting the lawful experience requirement for a civil engineer license, pursuant to §464-8 Qualifications for licensure, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and §16-115-24 Licensure by endorsement, Hawaii Administrative Rules.

DENIED APPLICATIONS:

TURNER, Harold	Civil
LE, Twan	Civil

It was moved by Mr. Pang, seconded by Mr. Inaba to accept the ratifications list. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to approve ratifications list.

Executive  
Session:

IN: 10:51 a.m. OUT: 11:59 a.m.

A 10:51 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Fujiwara, to move into executive session pursuant to HRS §92-5 to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section HRS §26-9 or both, and to consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities, as provided in HRS §92-5(a)(1) and (4). A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted to enter in to executive session. Board members and staff entered into Microsoft Teams.

At 11:59 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Fujiwara, seconded by Mr. Ventura to exit executive session. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted to exit out of executive session. Mr. Inaba was excused as he left the meeting at 11:18 a.m. Board members and staff returned to the Zoom meeting.

- f. Application for Professional Engineer License via Endorsement

- Structural Andrew Lasich

It was moved by Mr. Iwamoto and seconded by Mr. Suzuki to defer Mr. Lasich's application and request for more detailed structural engineering experience as documented by licensed structural engineer supervisors. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to defer Mr. Lasich's application. Mr. Inaba was excused as he left the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

g. Application for Restoration of Professional Engineer License – Structural Steven Hague

It was moved by Mr. Iwamoto and seconded by Mr. Suzuki to request additional information and supporting documents that show resolution or closure of the action(s) taken by the respective state licensing authority in regards to the disciplinary action(s) taken. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to defer Mr. Hague's application. Mr. Inaba was excused as he left the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

h. Application for Professional Engineer by Examination – Electrical Kevin Sebastian

It was moved by Mr. Pang, seconded by Mr. Fujiwara to defer the application and have EO Matsushima verify with the NCEES on the equivalency of the Confirmatory Examinations for engineer licensure in British Columbia versus the NCEES Fundamentals of Engineering and Principals and Practice examinations for licensure in the U.S. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang, Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to defer Mr. Sebastian's application. Mr. Inaba was excused as he left the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

i. Application for Professional Engineer via Endorsement – Mechanical Lian Wu Xia

It was moved by Mr. Pang and seconded by Mr. Suzuki to defer Mr. Xia's application based upon the response from the NCEES in regards to the equivalency of the Confirmatory Examinations for engineer licensure in British Columbia versus the NCEES Fundamentals of Engineering and Principals and Practice examinations for licensure in the U.S. A roll call vote was taken and Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Ishibashi, Iwamoto, Lee, Ota, Pang,

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Suzuki, Ventura, Yumol and Ms. Primiano voted unanimously to defer Mr. Xia's application. Mr. Inaba was excused as he left the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Correspondence: None.

Executive Officer's Report: None.

Next Meeting: To be determined.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairperson Hirota adjourned the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ LaJoy Lindsey

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LaJoy Lindsey  
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Sandra Matsushima

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Sandra Matsushima  
Executive Officer

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Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes 1/14/21.