

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 MEETING¹

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: June 17, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m.

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

Excused: None

Staff: Christopher Leong, Esq., Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer ("EO")
LaJoy Lindsey, Secretary
Erin Emerson, Secretary
Susan Reyes, Secretary

¹Comments 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.

Zoom Webinar

Guests: Erich Loren Slentz, Ileina, Kimmy, Yanos, Mazuyar, Seth Olsen

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

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Hirota called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

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

At this time, Chair Hirota 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

None.

Approval of
April 29, 2021
Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Inaba, seconded by Mr. Suzuki, a roll call vote was taken, and the vote was unanimous to approve the open and executive session minutes of the April 29, 2021 meeting.

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None.

Applications:

The Board may move into Executive Session to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for licensure in accordance with Section 92-5(a)(1), HRS, and to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities in accordance with Section 92-5(a)(4).

- a. Ratifications
- b. Professional Engineer Committee Recommendations
- c. Professional Architect Committee Recommendations

d. Professional Land Surveyor Committee Recommendations

e. Professional Landscape Architect Committee Recommendations

Ratifications

EO Matsushima read each name on the ratification list.

EASLA May 19, 2021 - RATIFICATION LIST:

ENGINEER VIA ENDORSEMENT:

CHAN, Carl	Civil
GANTNER, John	Civil
GEORGALAS, Michael	Civil
HANCOCK, Maren	Civil
SCHENNE, John	Civil
SHIPLEE, Romero	Civil
SIRHALL, John	Civil
YANOS, Jimmy	Civil
LAURENCE, Harold	Chemical
BASQUETTE, James	Electrical
DOFFIN, Gregory	Electrical
HENDRICKSON, Thayer	Electrical
OLMSTEAD, David	Electrical
FEENEY, Luke	Mechanical
LARSON, Heidi Marie	Mechanical
McCARTY, Michael	Mechanical
SMITH, Joseph	Mechanical
TROUNG, Lawrence	Mechanical
WU, Kin Kei	Mechanical
LIVERMORE, Jeremy	Structural
REDD, Adam	Structural
SPARKS, David	Structural
TAVALLALI, Hooman	Structural
WAVERING, Derek	Structural

ENGINEER VIA EXAM:

CHORIKI, Justin	EE
LOOK, Rachel	CE
SAWAKI, Yuta	EE
TABATA, Lyle	FE Only
TENG, Da	EE
YANO, Amanda	EE
ZHANG, Hui	SE

LAND SURVEYOR VIA EXAM:

None

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT VIA EXAM:

CIRCLE-WOODBURN, Joshua	Exam – Hawaii State
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ARCHITECT VIA ENDORSEMENT:

CUMMINGS, Steven
DeVARGA, Richard
GRANT, Galen
GUNTER, Cristopher
NEWBERG, Walter
OLCZAK, Zachary
SCHMITZBERGER, Jessica
SPERRY, Brad
TOMARO, Louie
WARSHIEFSKI, Robert

ARCHITECT EXAM:

WALCOTT, James	Exam-not yet licensed
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ARCHITECT RESTORATION APPLICATION AND CE REVIEW:

NONE

DEFERRED APPLICATIONS:

BRITTON, Trevar
FRIEDMAN, Steven

HSU, Lewis
KAWAMATA, Cassie
LIVENGOOD, Gregory
QUIGLESS, Ryan
QUINN, Brian
SALAS, Morteza
SCHMIDT, Kevin
SNYDER, Keith
SOSNOWSKI, Piotr
STALLCUP, Abraham
THESENVITZ, Greg
WEST, Derek
WILKINSON, Andrew

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:

None.

Public Testimony None.

Ratifications: It was moved by Mr. Yumol, seconded by Mr. Fujiwara, and unanimously carried to ratify approval of the applications list.

New Business: Examination Challenge – Board-produced professional land surveying examination on Hawaii land matters and Hawaii land description;

- Loren E.M. Slentz, Land Surveyor Applicant

The Board placed this matter on their agenda in response to Mr. Slentz's request to challenge question numbers 16, 42, and 63 of the Board-produced professional land surveying examination on Hawaii land matters and Hawaii land description.

The Board declined the request to challenge question numbers 16 and 42, as the Board determined that these questions were clear and concise and that the multiple choice answers selected were incorrect. In regards to question number 63, the Board accepted the challenge to determine whether or not question number 63 is ambiguous.

Executive
Session:

IN: 10:19 a.m. OUT: 11:11 a.m.

At 10:19 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Inaba, seconded by Mr. Fujiwara and unanimously carried to enter in to executive session.

At 11:11 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Yumol, seconded by Mr. Suzuki and unanimously carried to exit executive session and return to open session. **NOTE: Mr. Lee left the meeting at 10:51 a.m.*

After discussion, the Board determined that question number 63, as worded on the examination, is clear, concise, and not ambiguous.

It was moved by Mr. Suzuki, seconded by Mr. Inaba and unanimously carried that the Board has determined question number 63, as worded on the examination, is clear, concise, and not ambiguous.

Old Business:

Permitted Interaction Group ("P.I.G.") pursuant to §92-2.5(b)(1), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to investigate and provide recommendations regarding the potential acceptance of electronic digital signatures on plans, specifications, maps, reports, surveys, descriptions and design drawings prepared by or under the supervision of a licensed professional engineer, architect, land surveyor, or landscape architect that are to be filed with public officials.

Mr. Yumol advised the board that the report from the "P.I.G." is completed and is with DAG Leong for review. Once he reviews it and makes his comments, proposed draft language will be presented to the board. EO Matsushima will work with DAG Leong. People are asking about fire protection engineers, which has already been addressed in the rules amendment package. Mr. Ventura mentioned that the information for the Kauai points of contact are outdated. Mr. Yumol replied that the sole purpose of the "PIG" is for the acceptance of digital signatures of the licensee and that contact information was not a concern.

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Public Testimony None.

Correspondence: None.

Executive Officer's Report: Election of Officers:

It was moved by Mr. Ventura, seconded by Mr. Suzuki and unanimously carried to nominate Mr. Fujiwara as Chairperson and Mr. Pang as Vice-Chairperson for the term commencing July 1, 2021.

Next Meeting: T.B.D. tentatively on August 12, 2021.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairperson Hirota adjourned the meeting at 11:32 a.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ LaJoy Lindsey

LaJoy Lindsey
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Sandra Matsushima

Sandra Matsushima
Executive Officer

6/16/21

[X] Minutes approved as is.

[] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes _____.