

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: August 12, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar
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Present: Brian Fujiwara, Architect Member, Chairperson
Clayton Pang, Electrical Member, Vice Chairperson
Dan Hirota, Land Surveyor Member
Alan Inaba, Land Surveyor Member
Kevin Katayama, Mechanical Engineer
Jay Ishibashi, Public Member
Roberto Yumol, Architect Member

Excused: Ron Iwamoto, Structural Engineer
Joel Kurokawa, Landscape Architect Member
Benedict Lee, Landscape Architect Member
Ken Ota, Public Member
Janet Primiano, Public Member
Marc Ventura, Architect Member

Staff: Christopher Leong, Esq., Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer ("EO")
LaJoy Lindsey, Secretary
Christine Dela Cruz, Office Assistant

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: L Lam, Nathan

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, Chairperson Fujiwara called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Roll Call: Chairperson Fujiwara welcomed everyone to the meeting and proceeded with a roll call of the Board members. Messrs. Fujiwara, Hirota, Inaba, Ishibashi, Katayama, Pang, and Yumol were all present.

At this time, Chairperson Fujiwara 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
June 17, 2021
Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Yumol, seconded by Mr. Hirota, a roll call vote was taken, and the vote was unanimous to approve the open and executive session minutes of the June 17, 2021 meeting.

Chapter 91,
Adjudicatory
Matters:

In the Matter of the Architect's License of THOMAS E. HACKETT, ENG 2021-3-L; Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order;

RECESS IN: 10:17 A.M. RECESS OUT: 10:46 A.M.

It was moved by Mr. Lau, seconded by Mr. Inaba to accept settlement agreement. A roll call vote was taken and all voted in favor to accept the settlement agreement, with the exception of Mr. Pang who was recused. In addition the board delegated authority to EO Matsushima to approve the reinstatement once the license suspension is completed and all of the terms are satisfied.

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 June 16, 2021 and July 14, 2021 - RATIFICATION LIST:

ENGINEER VIA ENDORSEMENT:

ALTER, David	Civil
BACK, Dan	Civil
CORWIN, Christopher	Civil
CROPP, Alexander	Civil
CRYSTAL, Brian	Civil
DENNAN, John	Civil
DuPONT, Michael	Civil
ERORITA, Michael	Civil
FONTENOT, David	Civil
FRIEDMAN, Steven	Civil
FUTANE, Nitin	Civil
GAO, Tao	Civil
JACKSON, Grant	Civil
LOEHR, Michael	Civil
McCLOY, Jaxon	Civil
MICHELS, Zachary	Civil
MILKS, Joshua	Civil
PAIT, Daren	Civil
PERESSINI, Anthony	Civil
PIKERO, Andrew	Civil
SHOGREN, Robert	Civil

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SNYDER, Benjamin	Civil
SPINDOR, Brian	Civil
THOMPSON, Jeffrey	Civil
YOUNG COLE, Nicole	Civil
ZHU, Lian	Civil
BERGE, Thomas	Chem
ARAGAM, Vishwas	Electrical
BAILEY, Chase	Electrical
BRISKORN, Christopher	Electrical
HIGHLEY, Larry Paul	Electrical
HOANG, Long	Electrical
JONES, Barton Kenneth	Electrical
KIM, Dongjin	Electrical
PERLSTEIN, Richard	Electrical
PERRY, Justin	Electrical
SELLON, Jeffrey	Electrical
WILCOX, Russell	Electrical
BERCARICH, Brian	Mechanical
BURRELL, Kurt	Mechanical
GABRIEL, Joseph	Mechanical
GANDARA, Julian	Mechanical
HARRIS, Geo	Mechanical
HOFFMAN, Scott	Mechanical
JERNSTROM, Gregory	Mechanical
McDONOUGH, Joshua	Mechanical
RUCCI, James	Mechanical
RUNYON, Cory	Mechanical
SHIROMA, Joshua	Mechanical
STALLCUP, Abraham	Mechanical
THURMAN, Abby	Mechanical
WILLIAMS, Stephen	Mechanical
BARKER, Fred	Structural
CATRON, Robert	Structural
GODFREY, William	Structural
JOHNSTON, Jason	Structural
KASHANI, Reza	Structural
KAUR, Ruchika	Civil and Structural
TEHANEY, John	Structural
WILSMANN, Joshua	Structural
ZIEMAN, William	Structural

ENGINEER VIA EXAM:

AGUINALDO, Jeff	CE
CASTRO PAOLO	CE
CHEN, Eric	CE
CHIKAMOTO, Colin	CE
CORCIO-ALVAREZ, Davi	CE
NAVARETTE, Jessie	CE
PERREIRA, Nicholas	CE
TAPAT, Jennylyn	CE
WANG, Zhaoui	CE
WONG, Lorin	CE – additional discipline
YAMAMOTO, Logan	CE
RAMONES, Ronald B	SE
SAKAMOTO, Colin	SE
OLIVEIRA de TOLEDO, Silas	EE
TRAN, Thai	EE

LAND SURVEYOR VIA EXAM:

LANDIS, Theodore Jr. Exam – FS+PS+Hawaii State

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT VIA EXAM:

CIRCLE-WOODBURN, Joshua	Exam – Hawaii State
KRUSA, Lee	Exam – LARE+Hawaii State
QUIGLESS, Ryan	Exam – Hawaii State
SCHEUFLER, Molly	Exam – LARE+Hawaii State
SMITH, Carter	Exam – LARE+Hawaii State
SWANSON, Nicole	Exam – LARE+Hawaii State

ARCHITECT VIA ENDORSEMENT:

BENS, Matthew
BRADVICA, Andrew
BUDETTI, Robert Jr.
CONRATH, Richard
HASBROUCK, Justin
HWANG, Daejin
JAMIESON, Marguerite
KERR, James IV

LUCK, Matthew
MANKIN, Robert
McRAE, Andrew
MILLER, James
MILLER, Matthew
MORRIS, Bruce
NEWBERG, Walter
PALACIOS, Craig
PARKER, Julia
RAUPACH, Kristina
SIERRALTA, Karla
STAPLES, Harold
STOLARZ, Nathan
SWAIN, Michael
WARSHEFSKI, Robert

ARCHITECT EXAM:

DAVIS, Jason	Exam-not yet licensed
GIORGIO, Santo	Exam – ARE
HOLLOW, Rebecca	Exam – not yet licensed
RAJAEI, Maziyar	Exam – not yet licensed
TIJERINA, Carlos Armando	Exam - ARE

ARCHITECT RESTORATION APPLICATION AND CE REVIEW:

NONE

DEFERRED APPLICATIONS:

ABBOTT, Mark
AFRIN, Khwaja
ALLWARDT, Daniel
ALTER, David
BIXLER, William
CASTRO, Daniel
GATH, Michael
GEHRT, Lesley
GIBBS, Thomas
GOLDBERG, Evan
GOO, Linyan
HABIB, Ihab
HOWELL, Thomas

HUBBARD, Brad
HUSMANN, Robert
ITO, Akira
JAMIESON, James
JI, Hyung
KEIM, Michael
LITTRELL, John
LOGAN, David II
McCLOY, Jaxon
MEEHAN, Colin
MILNER, Sky
MOOSAVY, Morteza
OGATA, Jordan
ONIZUKA, Taylor
SOSNOWSKI, Piotr
STRICKLAND, Timothy
TSURUDA, Carson
TURNER, Theodore

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. Pang, seconded by Mr. Yumol, and unanimously carried to ratify approval of the applications list.

Mr. Lance Lam addressed the board. He claimed to have turned in his application way ahead of the July deadline and is concerned that only today his application was being reviewed. EO Matsushima will contact him after the meeting to discuss the status of his application. *(After the meeting, EO Matsushima consulted with the licensing clerk and Mr. Lam will be allowed to register for the October exam.)*

New Business: None.

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.

The PIG deferred to EO Matsushima and DAG Leong to propose language. EO Matsushima sent draft language in regards to digital signatures to the board. The language referenced was taken from the NV board, who took the definition of digital signatures from the Oxford dictionary and amended their laws. EO Matsushima presented draft language which proposes to add a definition of “digital signature” and amend subsection (e) to allow for digital signatures.

§16-115-2 Definitions

“Digital signature” means a digital code, generated and authenticated by public key encryption, which is attached to an electronically transmitted document to verify its contents and the sender’s identity. A digital signature contains encryption protections using a set of algorithms to determine authenticity of a document.

§16-115-9 Authentication: preparation or supervision of design and observation of construction.

(e) All signatures required under this section shall be original[-], provided that a digital signature is acceptable. The use of rubber signature stamps[~~, or computer-generated~~] or other facsimile signatures is prohibited.

The PIG will review the draft language and provide comments at the next Board meeting.

state MBEs took the matter before their boards. Previously, EO Matsushima ran this past the engineers and surveyors, and they had no comments. However, in these past months, many of the other boards have responded to the NCEES. These states appear evenly split amongst the yes, no, or no action taken votes. EO Matsushima spoke with DAG Leong and he advised that it wouldn't impact this board whether or not they sign it. She requested the Board to review and comment so she could notify the NCEES on their position.

The following states agreed with the resolution: TX, MO, NV, DE, VA, NB, WY, AR, OH

The following states either voted no or no action was taken: ND, FL, AL, IL, WA, CA, MD, IN, KY.

The states with no position are ME, NM, KS, OR and WV. Not all of the member states have responded.

Mr. Lau doesn't agree with the resolution, so his vote would be no. It was moved by Mr. Lau and seconded by Mr. Hirota to not sign off on the resolution. A roll call vote was taken and it was unanimously carried not to sign the resolution.

EO Matsushima will notify the NCEES of the Board's "no" position.

Comments to the Resolution of Cooperation from the California Board of Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists:

In relation to the NCEES Resolution, written comments were made by the California Board stating their opposition to the resolution and the reasons why they were opposing the resolution. This document was provided to the board members in their packets and EO Matsushima briefly discussed this matter with the board.

Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO") Advisory Committee and Addendum to RICO Advisory Committee List:

Executive
Session:

IN: 11:16 a.m. OUT: 11:40 a.m.

At 11:16 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Hirota, seconded by Mr. Yumol and unanimously carried to enter in to executive session.

At 11:40 a.m. it was moved by Mr. Yumol, seconded by Mr. Suzuki

and unanimously carried to exit executive session and return to open session.

After discussion, Mr. Inaba moved, Mr. Lau seconded to defer approving the RICO Advisory Committee List and Addendum. A roll call vote was taken and it was unanimously carried to defer approving the RICO Advisory Committee List and Addendum.

EO Matsushima will contact RICO to check on the previous year's list of ACM members as she recalls there were several names previously provided that were not carried over on the 2022 list. The list will be further discussed at the next Board meeting.

Public Testimony None.

Correspondence: None.

Next Meeting: October 14, 2021.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chairperson Fujiwara adjourned the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ LaJoy Lindsey

LaJoy Lindsey
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Sandra Matsushima

Sandra Matsushima
Executive Officer

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Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes _____.