

MINUTES

**UTAH PROFESSION ENGINEER AND
PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR
LICENSING BOARD
MEETING**

January 19, 2011

**Room 474, 4th floor, 9:00 A.M.
Heber M. Wells Building
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111**

CONVENED: 9:20 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 11:41 A.M.

**Bureau Manager
Board Secretary**

Richard J. Oborn
Lee Avery

Board Members Present

Jonathan Richards, Acting Chairperson
David Wesemann
Norman Bennion
Scott Marsell
Thomas Colvin
Max Peterson

Board Members Absent:

Von Hill, Chairperson

DOPL staff present:

Wayne Jeppson, DOPL Investigator

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

MINUTES:

The minutes dated November 10, 2010 were reviewed. Mr. Bennion motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Mr. Wesemann. The motion carried unanimously.

Updating of board member and association contact information

The Board updated their contact information and association information

Ms. Susan Higgs, Compliance Report

Mr. McFall is a new probationer and is in compliance with his stipulation. His reports are not due until February 1, 2011.

APPOINTMENT:

Clayton McFall, new probation interview

Mr. McFall met with the Board. Mr. Richards conducted the interview. Mr. McFall gave the Board his supervisor report. The Board noted that this report is positive. Mr. McFall advised the Board that he continues attending classes. His support system with work and family are still in place. And he attends 2 to 3 support meetings a week. The Board noted that Mr. McFall is on probation for two years. His reports are due quarterly. Mr. Wesemann motioned to see Mr. McFall in July, as long as his employer and probation reports are received on time and are positive, seconded by Mr. Marsell. The motion carried unanimously. **Mr. McFall is in compliance with his stipulation.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Investigation report, Wayne Jeppson

Mr. Jeppson reviewed the statistics and investigated cases regarding professional engineers and professional land surveyors with the Board.

2. DOPL record of email addresses for licensed engineers and land surveyor

Mr. Oborn advised the Board that DOPL is obtaining e-mail addresses for licensees. These will be used to update the licensee regarding changes in statute and rule. The Board gave Mr. Oborn the name of two associations involved in the professional engineers and professional land surveyors professions, i.e. Utah chapter, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, ASME and the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, ASHRAE.

CE Audits, not on the agenda

Mr. Oborn advised the Board that DOPL audited the CEs for PE/PLS for this renewal. Mr. Oborn noted that there has not been an audit for the PE/PLS in the past. Some licensees are wanting to use hours received in a business class to count towards their CEs. Mr. Oborn noted that the Division is not requiring certificates for this renewal audit. The Board may want to change the rule to clarify documentation. The Board discussed clarifying how many hours may be obtained in the technical field of practice and how many hours may be obtained in administrative or business or ethics. Mr. Oborn will check to see what other states are doing and get a summary to the board before the next meeting.

3. CE and license by endorsement requirements in Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors Licensing Act Rule

Mr. Oborn reviewed the CE and license by endorsement requirements in the Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors Licensing Act Rule with the Board. Mr. Oborn noted that in R156-22-102(9) the rule is referencing the jurisdiction, not the applicant. The jurisdiction requirements need to meet the criteria specified in R156-22-102(9). Mr. Oborn noted that no other state has the same license requirements. Mr. Marsell expressed interest in modifying the license by endorsement requirement under 58-22-302 (4)(d)(i). Mr. Peterson motioned to table to the next Board meeting, seconded by Mr. Colvin. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Education requirement for foreign educated applicants

Mr. Oborn reviewed the education requirements for foreign educated applicants, R156-302b:
(c) If the degree was earned in a foreign country, the engineering curriculum shall be determined to be equivalent to an EAC/ABET accredited program by the NCEES Credentials Evaluations, formerly known as the Center for Professional Engineering Education Services (CPEES). Only deficiencies in course work in the humanities, social sciences and liberal arts and no more than five semester hours in math, science or engineering, not to exceed a total of 10 semester hours noted by the credentials evaluation may be satisfied by successfully completing the deficiencies in course work at a recognized college or university approved by the Division in collaboration with the Board. Engineering course work deficiencies must be completed at an EAC/ABET approved program.
The Board opted not to make any changes at this time.

5. Consideration of removal of provision relating to experience requirement found in R156-22-302 (g)(1)(h)

The Board recommended that this provision not be removed from the rule.

Not on the Agenda:

The Board discussed possibly requiring professional engineers to include in their stamps an indication of

that discipline of their educational and training. Mr. Oborn will research stamp requirements in surrounding states. The Board will continue this discussion at the next Board meeting.

Next Board Meeting:

March 16, 2011

2011 Board meetings have been tentatively scheduled:

March 16, May 18, July 20, September 21, November 16

ADJOURNED:

The adjourned at: 11:41 A.M.

Note: This report is not intended to be a verbatim transcript, but is intended to record the significant features of what was discussed in the meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily arranged in chronological order.

March 16, 2011

Date Approved:

(ss) Von Hill

Chairperson, Utah Professional Engineers and
Professional Land Surveyors Board

March 16, 2011

Date Approved:

(ss) Richard J. Oborn

Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational and
Professional Licensing