

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
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DIVISION OF DESIGN PROFESSIONALS  
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD**

**DATE: 21 January 2009**

**PLACE: Department of Business Regulation  
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 69, Conference Room  
69-1 Cranston, RI 02920**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Messieurs: Smith, Capezza, Jr., Bernardo,  
Fairbanks, Jr. and Duhamel**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Richard W. Berstein, Esq.  
Brian Riggs, Department Budget Administrator  
Lois Marshall, Administrative Assistant**

**CALLED TO ORDER: Chairman Smith called the meeting to order  
at 12:10 PM to commence Board business.**

### **(1) NEW BUSINESS:**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion to accept the minutes of the 19 November 2008 Board meeting. Mr. Duhamel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to approve and seal the minutes of the Executive Session of 19 November 2008. Mr. Duhamel seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A motion was made by Secretary Bernardo at 12:11 PM to move into Executive Session pursuant to RI General Laws, Section §42-46(5)(a)(2) for sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation. Mr. Duhamel seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion at 1:11 PM to reconvene to Open Meeting in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 42-46(5)(a)(2) and seal the Minutes of the Executive Session. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to confirm in open session the votes taken in executive session in accordance with R.I.G.L. §42-42-4 as follows: votes to close 2008-19 William D. Frost vs. Thomas Medeiros, PE, 2008-24 Stephen Muschiano, PE vs. Crossman Engineering and C2007-7 The Board of Registration for Professional Engineers vs. Drawings by your Design. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

### **(3) DBR Proposed Legislation**

**Attorney Berstein informed the Board that he had a meeting with the**

**Governor's Office and DBR legal staff did submit a slight addition to the Director's authority and basically said that notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, the Director shall be enabled to incorporate any boards within the DBR's jurisdiction relating to administrative procedures utilized by the DBR.**

**(4) Procedural/legal issues regarding complaints**

**Attorney Berstein updated the Board on behalf of Attorney Savage about procedural issues regarding complaints.**

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**(5) Appointment of Associates and Emeritus Members**

**So noted and filed.**

**(6) Funded Delegate for the 2009 Northeast Zone Interim Meeting**

**So noted and filed.**

**(7) Correspondence received from the Secretary of State's Office**

**The Board wrote to the Secretary of State's Office regarding their issuance of Letters of Good Standing without approvals from the Board. Ms. Marshall will send a list of approved companies to the Secretary of State's Office each month.**

**(8) Engineer-In-Training examination results for October 25, 2008**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion to accept the EIT scores from NCEES as required by the Board's signed agreement with NCEES.**

**Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**(9) Professional Engineering examination results for October 24, 2008  
Secretary Bernardo made a motion to accept the PE scores from  
NCEES as required by the Board's signed agreement with NCEES.  
Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried**

**(10) Correspondence received from NCEES regarding the Association  
of Energy Engineers  
So noted and filed.**

**(11) Discussion on Professional Engineers On-line renewals  
Tom Viall of RI.Gov met with the Board to discuss on-line license  
renewals. Mr. Viall explained to the Board that a company by the  
name of CAVU had been awarded the state contract for all on-line  
renewals. Mr. Viall stated that he might not be able to offer services  
to the Board at this time because he is not certain whether CAVU's  
service will replace RI.Gov. Mr. Viall will get back to Ms. Marshall  
within the next three to four days to let her know if RI.Gov would be  
able to meet the Board's April deadline. The Board is in favor of  
having on-line renewals if not now then in the future.**

**(12) Correspondence from Jim Nelson, Graduate Coordinator,  
Brigham Young University  
Mr. Nelson, of Brigham Young University, is asking for Board  
members to complete a survey that they are conducting about**

**proposed licensing requirement changes for Civil Engineers.  
Chairman Smith will complete the survey.**

**(13) Correspondence from Robert C. Grubic, PE, President  
Pennsylvania State Board**

**Mr. Grubic is asking the Board to support David Whitmore for NCEES  
Northeast Zone Vice President. The Board is in support of Mr.  
Whitmore.**

**(14) Correspondence from Richard C. Hittinger, President Alliance  
Environmental Group, Inc. (AEG)**

**So noted and filed.**

## **APPLICATIONS**

**(15) Geoffrey Frazier**

**The Board reviewed Mr. Frazier's application. Secretary Bernardo  
made a motion to register Mr. Frazier in the Civil discipline. Mr.  
Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**(16) Yong-Kyung Shin**

**Mr. Shin was denied registration and submitted correspondence to  
the Board. Vice Capezza, Jr. made a motion to send Mr. Shin a letter  
that the Board's decision to deny his application for comity remains  
unchanged. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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**(17) Andranik Tahmassian**

**Secretary Bernardo was recused. The Board reviewed Mr. Tahmassian's application for registration. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to deny Mr. Tahmassian registration based on the fact that he failed the PE exam more than four times and has not shown good cause. Vice Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**(18) Chris Jayavendra**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion that the Board sends a letter to Mr. Jayavendra stating the review course he submitted is acceptable and when he has provided proof that he successfully completed the review course the Board would then consider his application to sit for a fourth time. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**(19) Walid M. Ali**

**Chairman Smith recommended that this application be put on hold for the next month's Board meeting.**

**P.E. COMITY:**

**Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to grant comity to the following individuals in the disciplines specified. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**BERNARDINO, JAMES A. MA CIVIL ROHLEDER, JR. WILLIAM J. KS CIVIL**

BILLS, RANDALL E. OH ELEC. SCHEERER, ANDREW G. VA CIVIL  
BRECKNOCK, ROBERT P. NH CIVIL SEYMOUR, WILLIAM  
J. VA CIVIL  
BRUNGRABER, ROBERT L. CO CIVIL SHAWN, SYDE T. MA CIVIL  
CLOUGH, SCOTT T. OH ELEC. SHERMAN, ELI PA ELEC.  
FELDMANN, BRUCE A. MO CIVIL STEINMETZ, GREGORY  
M. MN MECH.  
GALLAGHER, JAMES DE CIVIL TAYLOR-WILLIS, LAURI J. MI ELEC.  
HERRON, JAMES P. WA MECH. THORKILDSEN, ERIC K. CA MECH.  
LACHMAYR, JENNIFER MA CIVIL THOMAS, LAWRENCE  
M. OH CIVIL  
LOTFI, SHAHRAM NK ELEC. WISLER, SUSAN M. SC MECH.  
MORSE-FORTIER, LEONARD J. MA STRUC. YOUNIS, STEVEN  
E. MA FIRE. PROTECTION  
NANGIA, ROBERT V. CA CIVIL & STRUC. ZUPCAK, ROBERT  
L. WI CIVIL  
PATE, W. DENNEY FL STRUC.

**PE. COMITY DENIED:**

Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to deny comity to Curt R. Lacount due to the fact that in accordance with the guidelines established by the Board's law, rules and regulations Mr. Lacount does not have the equivalent of a four-year engineering degree. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to deny comity to Andranik Tahmassian due to the

**fact that in accordance with the guidelines established by the Board's law, rules and regulations Mr. Tahmassian failed the PE exam more than four times and did not show good cause.**

**Curt R. Lacount**

**Andranik Tahmassian**

**REINSTATEMENT:**

**Vice Chairman Smith made a motion to reinstated Mr. Defeo in the Civil discipline pending payment of all back fees and penalties. Secretary Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Defeo, Fred L.**

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**PE EXAMINATION:**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion to admit the following individuals to the April 2009 Professional Engineering examination. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**ANDREWS, MICHAEL D. FLEURY, TIMOTHY M.**

**ANDREWS, NIKKI GRANDCHAMP, LAURIE A.  
ANDRUS, STEPHEN M. MORAN, JOSHUA J  
CHERENZIA, SERGIO F. OWENS, KELLY JANE  
DISTEFANO, JENNIFER M. SCHULTZ, JR. ROBERT C.**

**ENGINEER-IN-TRAINING EXAMINATION:**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion to admit the following individuals to the April 2009 Engineering-In-Training examination. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**BOUCHER, NATHAN HILL, SETH P.  
BRADBURY, MATTHEW R. HUGHES, SCOTT G.  
BRYANT, REBECCA S. JORRITSMA, JASON M.  
CAHILL, BRIAN C. KASTANARAS, VASILIOS  
CALLAGHAN, DANIEL P. KELLY, ERIK S.  
CALLAS, DAVID T. KUE, XIONG  
CAMPAGNA, NICHOLAS A. LEE, BRIAN A.  
CELESTE, CHRISTOPHER LOSOWSKI, FILIP JAN  
CHANTHAVONG, SID P. LOUW, ULRIKE S.  
CHARETTE, DAVID MARSHALL, TIMOTHY E.  
CLARK, ALDEN J. MARTINS, JEFFRY C.  
COELHO, JESSICA M. MCCORMICK, PATRICIA A.  
CRITZ, KENNETH MECOZZI, CHRISTOPHER B.  
DARSCH, RYAN MOMBOURQUETTE, JOSHUA C.  
DaSILVA, FILIPE MORA, JOSE D.  
DAVIS, JR., JAMES F. MUHLENKAMP, MATTHEW N.**

DONAHUE, STEPHEN M. MURPHY, KEELEY  
DOWDELL, MARK L. OSTROWSKI, ANGELA  
DRISCOLL, SHANE P. OUELLETTE, MATTHEW  
DROBNIS, ANDREW OWENS, DAVID T.  
DUNCAN, WHITNEY PARADEE, KRISTEN H.  
ELIAS, BRIAN E. PERALTA, HERMAN C.  
ELLIS, DAVID M. POMPILI, MICHAEL V.  
EMERY, BENJAMIN E. PRUDHOMME, BRANDON G.  
ESTRELLA, DAVID RIORDAN, GARY J.  
FERGUSON, BRIAN RODERICK, COLIN  
FISHER, THERON A. ROSS, CATHERINE L.  
FONTAINE, LEO E. SCHNITZEL, JR. RICHARD W.  
GENCARELLI, ANDREW M. SETZER, NICOLE  
GODINO, JOSEPH T. SOSCIA, ROBERT  
HALL, JR. WELLINGTON H. SURAVICH, KEITH M.  
HARTMAN, DANIEL J. THOMPSON, SCOTT A.  
HAWKES, SAMUEL TOBIN, MICHAEL J.  
HEALY, JR. JOSEPH A. WIDHALM, CHRISTOPHER J.  
HEAPHY, DENNIS B. WILD, ANDREW V.  
HEEDER, NICHOLAS J. ZAHRADKA, FRANK T.

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### **C.O.A. APPLICATIONS;**

**Motion was made by Secretary Bernardo to approve the applications for Certificates of Authorization listed on the January 21, 2009 list for Corporations, COA'S renewing, and Soles as noted in the specific disciplines mentioned with the exception of (0), which were denied. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

### **ADJOURNED:**

**Chairman Smith informed the Board that the next Board meeting would be scheduled for 18 February 2009 at 12:00 noon. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:05PM. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**



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**SOLES PAID COMMENTS**

**COA #1635 ROBERT A. LANDINO 0**

**MEMORANDUM OF DECISION RECEIVED RENEWAL OK**

**LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATIONS**

**A P D ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURE, PLLC \$125 OK CIVIL**

**CAPOBIANCO CONSULTING ENG., LLC \$125 OK CIVIL**

**EMR, LLC \$125 OK MECHANICAL ONLY**

**ROHN PRODUCTS, LLC \$125 INCOMPLETE APP. RETURN**

**COA LLC72 HGA ARCHIT. & ENG, LLC 0 OK CIVIL, STRUC. ELEC., &  
MECH.**

**ADD PAUL A. ASP, TIMOTHY M. CLEVEN AND FEFREY W. HARRIS  
IN RESP. CHARGE.**

**CORPORATIONS**

**CLIVE SAMUELS AND ASSOCIATES, INC. \$125 OK MECHANICAL  
ONLY**

**DESIGN PROFESSIONALS, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL**

**FIGG BRIDGE ENGINEERS, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL**

**GARG CONSULTING SERVICES, INC. \$125 OK STRUCTURAL**

**GIBBENS DRAKE SCOTT, INC. \$125 OK ELECTRICAL**

**LAND PLANNING, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL**

**RAMAKER & ASSOCIATES, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL**

**TERRACON CONSULTANTS, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL**

**COA 5870 BERGMANN ASSOCIATES, INC 0 OK CIVIL &  
MECHANICAL**

**ADD DONALD J. MIDDLETON IN RESP. CHARGE**

**COA 5123 HNTB CORPORATION 0 OK CIVIL**

**ADD ROBERT SUTTON, DAVID RICH AND JOHN HENRY IN RESP.  
CHARGE.**

**COA 5268 MWH AMERICAS, INC. 0 OK CIVIL**

**REMOVE STEPHEN E. GRINNELL REPLACE MATTHEW D. TRAVERS  
IN RESP. CHARGE**

**COA 5171 SIMPSON GUMPERTZ & HEGER INC. 0 OK CIVIL &  
STRUC.**

**ADD PEDRO J. SIFRE IN RESP CHARGE.**

**COA 5639 SYMMES, MAINI & MCKEE ASSOC. 0 OK CIVIL, MECH.,  
ELECT. & STRUC.**

**ADD WAYNE KEEFNER, DANIEL KOCUR, ANDREW OLDEMAN AND  
JENNIFER HOWE IN  
RESP. CHARGE .**

**COA 5792 URS CORPORATION AES 0 OK CIVIL, MECH., ELECT. &  
STRUC**

**ADD SUBRAMANIAN NARAYANASWAMY, ROBERT TEDESCHI AND  
RICHARD SAMBOR**

**COA #5631 GROUNDWATER & ENV. SER. 0 HOLD**

**ADD MATTHEW E. HACKMAN IN RESP. CHARGE HELD FROM THE  
NOVEMBER 19, 2008 MEETING PER CHAIRMAN SMITH**

**COA #5940 MATTHEW E. HACKMAN, P.E., CHMM, INC. HOLD  
QUESTIONING DISCIPLINE**

**COA #5830 PAGE INTERWORKS, P.A. 50 OK**

**NAME CHANGE TO PAGE INTERWORKS, P.A. d/b/a/ PAGE  
INTERWORKS CORPORATION**

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**PAID COMMENTS**

**COA 5398 ENSR CORPORAITON 50**

**NAME CHANGE FROM ENSR CORPORATION TO AECOM, INC. OK**

**COA 5083 DMJM & HARRIS, INC. 50 OK**

**NAME CHANGE TO AECOM USA, INC.**

**WITHDRAWALS OK**

**A P D ENGINEERING & ARCHITECUTRE**

**FILING AS AN LLC**

**DENIAL**

**SEi ENGINEERING, INC. HOLD**

**NO RESPONSE TO FINAL NOTICE**

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