

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

DATE: 11 December 2013

**PLACE: Department of Business Regulation
1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 68, Conference Room
68-1 Cranston, RI 02920**

TIME: 9:00 AM

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Christopher A. Duhamel, PE, PLS,
Vice Chairman Wayne Moore, PE, Secretary Farhoumand, PE and
Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, PE
Board Members.**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Neena Savage, Esq., Chief of Legal Services
(arrived at 9:16AM left at 11:05 AM)
Lois Marshall, Administrative Assistant**

CALLED TO ORDER: Chairman Duhamel called the meeting to order at 9:16 AM to commence Board business

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) Acceptance of the 20 November 2013 minutes of the meeting.

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to approve the minutes of the 20 November 2013 Board meeting. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

(2) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to convene into executive session at 9:17 AM pursuant to RI General Laws, Section §42-46(5)(a)(2) for sessions or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation and §42-46-(5)(a)(4) for investigative proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

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Vice Chairman Moore moved to adjourn from executive session and

to reconvene to open meeting at 10:02 AM pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-4. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

Vice Chairman moved to seal the minutes of the executive session pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-4 and §42-46-5 and to record the votes taken in executive session in accordance with RI General Laws, §42-46-4 as follows: “Old Business” P2012-6 and 2013-2 were continued, 2013-3 was closed. “New Business” none. . Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Chairman Duhamel voted, “I”, Vice Chairman Moore voted, “I”, Secretary Farhoumand voted “I”, and Mr. Aldinger voted “I” Mr. Ihenacho voted “I”. In Executive Session pending matters, there are (4) pending matter.

(3) Professional Engineering Rules and Regulations

Vic Chairman Moore will make the changes discussed and forward those changes to all Board members. Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to post the proposed draft on the Boards website and to also send the proposed draft to the following engineering societies: RICE, ASCE, RISPE and the Providence Engineering for review and comments. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

(4) Joint Informational Bulletin

Secretary Farhoumand made a motion to defer a hearing until after the proposed draft Informational Bulletin is posted on the Board's website and sent to their professional associations for comments.

Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

Once comments are received a decision will be made whether or not to have a joint meeting with the Board of Professional Land Surveyors.

(5) Correspondence to City and Town Building and Fire Inspection Departments

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion make the change discussed by the Board and forward the correspondence to RICE and RISPE. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

(6) NCEES Correspondence

Correspondence received Steven Matthews of the NCEES IT department regarding updates for the (FE) Computer Based Testing (CBT) beginning January 2014.

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APPLICATIONS:

(7) Martin Vickey

The Board reviewed Mr. Vickey's request for reconsideration of their denial of his registration by comity, Vice Chairman Moore made a motion that based on the Board's current Rules and Regulations the Board's decision remains unchanged. Secretary Farhoumand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

P.E. COMITY:

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to grant comity to the following individuals in the disciplines specified. Secretary Farhoumand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

Billah, Shamarukh PA Civil Molina, Andres MA Elec.

Gambio, Thomas D. GA Civil Scheks, Christopher J. WA Civil

Hassan, Afsar TX Elec. Spensieri, Michael D. NC Civil

**Jimenez, Joshua J. NY Mech. Sullivan, Matthew P. MA Civil
Laufs, Wilfried NY Struc. Szymczek, Kathryn A. MA Envir.
Lewis, Steven R. OK Elec. Williamson, Jeremy R. CT Civil
Liu, Yinhui KY Civil Wright, Jeffrey R. NY Civil
McCouch, Candice IL Struc.**

P.E.EXAMINATION

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to grant the following individual to sit for the April 2014 NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering examination. Secretary Farhoumand seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand, and Messer. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, Board Members.

Kersaw, Chad

C.O.A. APPLICATIONS:

Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to approve the applications for Certificates of Authorization listed on the 11 December 2013 list for Sole Proprietorships, Corporations, Limited Liability, Partnerships and Change in Responsible Charge, as noted in the specific disciplines mentioned with no exceptions. None were denied. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, four in favors and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Mr. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, Board Member. Ferdinand Ihenacho, PE Board

Member was absent from this vote.

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SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP

MATTHEW J. YOUNG, PE CIVIL

CORPORATION

HODGE DESIGN ASSOCIATES, P.C. CIVIL

JGD ASSOCIATES, INC. CIVIL

KEVIN M. FINN, PE CIVIL

TAYLOR & SYFAN CONSULTING ENG. CIVIL

COA#5867 SCHWEITZER ENG, INC. APPROVED

**ADDING CHRISTOPHER K. CLIPPINGER, PE#11056 IN RESP.
CHARGE**

COA#5892 TENSAR INTERNATIONAL CORP. APPROVED

ADDING STEPHEN A. LUPTAK, PE#10156 IN RESP. CHARGE

COA#5847 ATC TOWER SERVICES, INC. APPROVED

ADDING RAPHAEL MOHAMED, PE#8480 IN RESP. CHARGE

COA#5867 ALTERNATIVES IN ENG, INC. APPROVED

ADDING KATRINA L. SMITH, PE#11048 IN RESP. CHARGE

COA#5140 GALE ASSOCIATES. APPROVED

ADDING ERIK W. STRAND, PE#11043 IN RESP. CHARGE

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 15 January 2014 at 9:00 AM. Vice Chairman Moore made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 AM. Mr. Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favors. Voting in favor were Chairman Duhamel, Vice Chairman Moore, Secretary Farhoumand and Messrs. Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD, and Ferdinand Ihenacho, PE Board Members.

Posted on 20 March 2014 electronically on Secretary of State's Office website. Pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-6(b), business not included in this notice may be considered with the consent of the majority of the members, and/or may convene into Executive (closed) Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws Sec. 42-46-5.

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