

**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: 17 September 2014

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

TIME: 9:00 AM

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Wayne D. Moore, PE, Vice Chairman
Kazem Farhoumand, PE, Secretary Paul B. Aldinger, PE, PhD and
Messer. Ferdinand Ihenacho, PE (arrived at 9:16 a.m. and Christopher
A. Duhamel, PE, PLS Board Members,**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Neena Savage, Esq., Chief of Legal Services
(9:10 a.m., to 9:49 a.m. by phone)
Lois Marshall, Administrative Assistant**

CALLED TO ORDER: Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m. to commence Board business

NEW BUSINESS:

(1) Acceptance of the 28 August 2014 minutes of the meeting.

Secretary Aldinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the 28 August 2014 Board meeting. Mr. Duhamel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, four in favor and one absent. Voting in favor were, Chairman Moore, Vice Chairman Farhoumand, Secretary Aldinger and Mr. Duhamel. Mr. Ihenacho was absent from this vote.

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(2) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Duhamel made a motion to convene into executive session at 9:16 a.m. 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. Secretary Aldinger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favor. Voting in

favor were, Chairman Moore, Vice Chairman Farhoumand, Secretary Aldinger and Messer. Duhamel and Ihenacho.

Secretary Aldinger moved to adjourn from executive session and to reconvene to open meeting at 9:45 a.m. pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46-4. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favor. Voting in favor were, Chairman Moore, Vice Chairman Farhoumand, Secretary Aldinger and Messer. Duhamel and Ihenacho.

Secretary Aldinger 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” C2013-1 and C2013-2 and agenda item C, Items D were continued. “New Business Items E was continued. “Monitoring” none. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken, Chairman Moore voted, “I”, Vice Chairman Farhoumand voted, “I”, Secretary Aldinger voted, “I”, Mr. Ihenacho voted, “I” and Mr. Duhamel voted, “I”. In Executive Session pending matters, there are (4) pending matters.

(3) Professional Engineering Rules and Regulations

Attorney Savage informed the Board that the New Proposed Rules and Regulations and the Repeal of the old Rules and Regulations will be filed at the Secretary of State’s Office in the next week and they will be in effect twenty (20) days following the filing.

APPLICATIONS:

(4) Mohamed Elzafraney

Mr. Elzafraney's application is being held for review.

(5) Michael Ohrenberger

Mr. Ohrenberger's request is being placed on hold.

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P.E. COMITY:

Mr. Duhamel made a motion to approve the following comity applications. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favor. Voting in favor were, Chairman Moore, Vice Chairman Farhoumand, Secretary Aldinger and Messer. Duhamel

and Ihenacho.

Arthur, Jeffrey NC Civil Littlejohn, James H. TN Civil

Bliven Patrick TX Elec. Martinez, Rene B. CT Elec.

Garvey, Peter B. MA Envir. McFall, II, Russell PA Civil

Grewel, Jaskaran S OH Mech. Oakes, Timothy F. MA Civil

Groenenboom, Kevin G. CO Elec. Parker, Thomas VA Mech

Indeglia, Paul A. NH Envir. Seckinger, Nathaniel TX Struc.

Kababik, Justin S. CT Mech. Switzer, Wayne ME Civil

Karakelas, James M. FL Civil Thiemann, Zachary NE Civil

Kuchibhotla, Ravi NJ Elec. Yates, Thomas CA Civil

E.I.T. EXAMINATION

Mr. Duhamel made a motion to grant the following individuals to sit for the NCEES Fundamentals of Engineering examination. Mr. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favor. Voting in favor were, Chairman Moore, Vice Chairman Farhoumand, Secretary Aldinger and Messer. Duhamel and Ihenacho.

Higginbotham, Richard T.

Nguyes, Nighi T.

C.O.A. APPLICATIONS:

Mr. Duhamel made a motion to approve the applications for Certificates of Authorization listed on the 28 August 2014 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. Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, five in favor. Voting in favor were, Chairman Moore, Vice Chairman Farhoumand, Secretary Aldinger and Messer. Duhamel and Ihenacho.

CORPORATIONS

TITAN ENGINEERS PC STRUCTURAL

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

BBD ENGINEERING & DESIGN FIRM, LLC CIVIL

SGS ENGINEERING, LLC CIVIL

COA#5985 RYAN ENGINEERING, INC. CIVIL

ADDING PAUL W. THARP, PE#10095 IN RESPONSIBLE CHARGE

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C.O.A. APPLICATIONS:

COA#5469 BENNETT & PLESS INC. STRUCTURAL

ADDING MICHAEL T. DEBOER, PE #6971 AND REMOVING ELMER M.

BENNETT, PE#4142

COA#5295 WESTON SOLUTIONS, INC.

**REMOVED BETTE NOWACK, PE#7547 COMPANY DOES NOT HAVE A
PE IN RESP. CHARGE
AND IS THEREFORE INACTIVE**

WITHDRAWN

MCMULLAN & ASSOCIATES, INC.

**The next Board meeting is scheduled for 15 October 2014 at 9:00 AM.
Mr. Duhamel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30.a.m. Mr.
Ihenacho seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously,
five in favor. Voting in favor were, Chairman Moore, Vice Chairman
Farhoumand, Secretary Aldinger and Messer. Duhamel and Ihenacho.**

**Posted on October 15, 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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