

STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

DATE 12 May 2009

PLACE 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 69-2 Conference Room, Cranston, RI

MEMBERS PRESENT Messrs. DiOrio, Federici, Lipsitz and Mensinger

OTHERS PRESENT Ms. Christina Styron, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Richard W. Berstein, Legal Counsel

Mr. Brian J. Riggs, DBR Department Budget Administrator

Mr. Michael J. McCormick, RISPLS Liaison

CALLED TO ORDER Chairman Lipsitz called the meeting to order at 1:07 PM.

AGENDA ITEM #1 Mr. Mensinger made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to

Approval of Minutes approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the 14 April

2009 meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM #2 Because of the nature of the following items, Secretary DiOrio made a

Executive Session motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to hold an Executive Session

according to Section 42-46-5a of the Rhode Island General Laws, for

sessions or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation

under Section 42-46-5(a)(2) and for investigative proceedings regarding

allegations of civil or criminal misconduct under Section 42-46-5(a)(4) and

the motion was passed unanimously at 1:08 PM.

Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to seal the executive session and record the votes taken in executive session pursuant to RIGL §42-46-4 and §42-46-5. The motion was passed unanimously.

Record of Votes Taken in Executive Session

Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.1. - Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, to continue this matter. The motion was passed; Mr. Federici did not vote as he was recused.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.c. – Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.d. – Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to send a letter to the person involved telling him/her to appear at the next meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.e. - Mr. Mensinger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to continue this matter awaiting further reports. The motion was passed unanimously.

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Executive Agenda Item #2.b.f. – No motions were made regarding this agenda item.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.g.- No motions were made regarding this agenda item.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.h. – Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to send letters to both parties involved.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.i. - No motions were made regarding this agenda item.

Adjournment - Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene to an open meeting pursuant to RIGL §42-46-4. The motion was passed unanimously at 2:20 PM.

End of record of votes taken in Executive Session

AGENDA ITEM #3 1. NCEES Annual Meeting brochure was received.

Correspondence

2. ABET Newsletter was received.

3. Memorandum from NCEES regarding Evaluation & Comparability of Programs Earned through the Distant Education Modality was received.

AGENDA ITEM #4 a. Legislation

Old Business

The Senate passed DBR's bill regarding Administrative Procedures. The Board's education bill is still moving along. DBR's bill requiring all licensees to provide e-mail addresses is moving. DBR is putting a statement on their website regarding their approach to technology.

b. Statewide Planning/RIGIS

Chairman Lipsitz made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, this Board considers CT's position statement on GIS a good baseline. The motion was passed unanimously.

c. PDH review - The following courses were reviewed and recommended PDH value as follows:

Sponsor	Dates	Seminar/Course Title	PDH Value
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Barnstable	4-2 & 3-2009	Advanced Training Workshop	
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County-	for Soil Evaluators	5	
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Cape Cod			
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Cooperative Extension			
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McKissock 100%

Education on-going/on-line

National Flood Insurance

Program: Regulatory

Basics for Land Development 4

Boundaries & Monuments 3

Mr. Mensinger made a motion, seconded by Secretary Diorio, to approve the above listed courses and PDH values as indicated. The motion was passed unanimously.

William Maloney submitted a letter asking for an exemption from the continuing education requirements for this renewal period due to health issues. Mr. Mensinger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to approve Mr. Maloney's request subject to receipt of a doctor's note. The motion was passed unanimously.

d. Administrative Issues – There was no discussion on this agenda item.

e. NCEES – There was no discussion on this agenda item.

f. NSPS – Vice Chairman Drury attended a meeting two weeks ago and will have a report for the next meeting.

g. Miscellaneous

1. RISPLS Advisory Committee regarding the Technical Standards & Code of Ethics – Meeting scheduled for tonight.

AGENDA ITEM #5 a. COA Application Review – There are no applications for review.

New Business b. LSIT/PLS Application - There are no applications for review.

c. Miscellaneous – There are no miscellaneous items for discussion at this time.

1. Consideration of changing designation from PLS to PS

Ms. Styron will ask how many states use PS, have they changed the designation and the reasoning behind it on the NCEES MBA ListServ.

d. Comments from the General Public

1. Mr. McCormick, RISPLS Liaison discussed a court case and the need for an expert witness, is a site plan necessary for additions to sheds, etc.

e. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 9 June 2009 at 1:00 PM.

AGENDA ITEM #6 Upon the appropriate motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 PM.

Adjournment

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