

**STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND
SURVEYORS**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

DATE 8 December 2009

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT Chairman Richard S. Lipsitz (present 1:00 PM
to 2:35 PM), Vice Chairman Tomas D. Drury, Jr., Secretary Alfred W.
DiOrio, Board Members Louis Federici and John Mensinger**

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

**OTHERS PRESENT Ms. Christina M. Styron, Administrative
Assistant**

Mr. Richard W. Bernstein, Legal Counsel (present 1:00 PM to 1:25 PM)

Mr. Brian J. Riggs, DBR Department Budget Administrator

**CALLED TO ORDER Chairman Lipsitz called the meeting to order at
1:05 PM.**

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

Approval of Minutes approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the 17 November

2009 meeting. The motion was passed unanimously; five in favor.

Voting

in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio,

Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

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; five in favor. Voting

in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio,

Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury at 1:06 PM.

Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, 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 ; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

Record of Votes Taken in Executive Session

Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.1. - Vice Chairman Drury made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to continue this matter. The motion was passed, four in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio and Mr. Drury; Mr. Federici did not vote as he was recused.

Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.2. - Vice Chairman Drury made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to continue this matter. The motion was passed, unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

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Executive Agenda Item #s 2.a.3. - Vice Chairman Drury made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to continue this matter. The motion was passed, unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.c. - Mr. Mensinger made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to continue this matter. The motion was passed unanimously; the motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.d. – Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, to conditionally approve the Task List Joint Informational Bulletin subject to the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers approving the bulletin with the exact wording. The motion was passed unanimously; the motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.e.1. - Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to accept the LSIT & 2nd Day exam scores as presented. The motion was passed unanimously; the motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

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

Executive Agenda Item #2.b.e.3. - Mr. Mensinger made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to utilize the Department of Business Regulation’s procedure regarding letters of warning. The motion was passed unanimously; the motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

Adjournment Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, to come out

of Executive Session and reconvene to an open meeting pursuant to RIGL

§42-46-4. The motion was passed unanimously at 2:15 PM; five in favor.

Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary

DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

End of record of votes taken in Executive Session

AGENDA ITEM #3 1. CRMC Notice of Public Hearing was received.

Correspondence

2. Notice of 2010 Joint Northeast/Southern Meeting was received. Participation will be funded by NCEES. No Board Members are available to attend. Ms. Styron will attend.

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AGENDA ITEM #4 a. Legislation

Old Business

Attorney Bernstein advised that the legislation regarding fines for unlicensed practice has been submitted.

b. Statewide Planning/RIGIS

The fully executed document was sent to Mr. Jordan and one will be retained in the Board's file. This will no longer appear as an Agenda item.

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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State of RI/	9-8-09	Intro. To Microsoft	
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Dept. of Admin.	5 weeks	Excel	4
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Mr. Mensinger made a motion seconded by Vice Chairman Drury, to approve the above listed courses and PDH values as indicated. The motion was passed; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

d. Administrative Issues

Vice Chairman Drury informed the Board that he will not be seeking reappointment to the Board. His term expired on 1 September 2009. Per RIGL § 5-8.1-5(b), he will continue to serve until his successor is appointed and qualified. We will notify the Governor's office.

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

f. NSPS – There was no discussion on this agenda item.

g. Miscellaneous

1. The proposed Rules and Regulations will need to be redrafted with the strikethrough and underline formatting.

AGENDA ITEM #5 a. COA Application Review

New Business

The Board reviewed the following new COA application:

Wayne Jalbert – applying as exempt from the COA as he will not be offering private services.

Mr. Federici made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mensinger, to approve the above listed COA. The motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

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b. LSIT/PLS Application

Interview with Christopher Coppens – PLS applicant – Mr. Coppens appeared before the Board to further discuss his education and experience.

Vice Chairman Drury made a motion, seconded by Secretary DiOrio, to deny Mr. Coppens to sit for the April 2010 RI Portion exam at this time since he does not meet the educational requirements. The motion was passed unanimously; The motion was passed unanimously; five in favor. Voting in favor were Chairman Lipsitz, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio, Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury.

c. Miscellaneous – There are no miscellaneous agenda items.

d. Comments from the General Public

Mr. McCormick reported that he will be setting up an informational workshop with the Building Officials and Mr. Federici representing the Board.

e. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 8 December 2009 at 1:00 PM.

AGENDA ITEM #6 Upon the appropriate motion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:07 PM.

Adjournment

Secretary DiOrio made a motion, seconded by Mr. Federici, to adjourn the

meeting. The motion was passed; four in favor. Voting

in favor were, Vice Chairman Drury, Secretary DiOrio,

Messrs. Federici and Mr. Drury; Chairman Lipsitz did not vote as he left the

meeting at 2:35 PM.

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