

MINUTES

STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

Meeting Held
Thursday, March 20, 2008
at 8:30 a.m.

Indiana Government Center South
402 West Washington Street, Rm. W064
Indianapolis, Indiana

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Sauer called the meeting to order at 8:55 a.m. in 402 West Washington Street, Room W064, Indianapolis, Indiana and declared a quorum in accordance with IC § 25-31.

Members Present:

John Sauer, Chairman
Chris A. Gwaltney, Vice-Chairman
Harold Snead
Kenneth Spaulding
Jim Erb
John Beery
Mark Downey

Members Not Present:

Staff Present:

Angela Smith Jones, Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
Mary Kate Adams, Assistant Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
Jim Schmidt, Legal Counsel, Office of the Attorney General

II. ADOPTION /AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2008

Board Action: A motion was made to adopt the minutes with changes.

Beery/Erb
Motion carried 7/0/0

III. REPORT REGARDING CONSUMER COMPLAINTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL By Liaison for the Board

There was nothing new to report.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE RULES HEARING

A. TITLE 864 STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION for PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

LSA Document #07-664

Under IC 4-22-2-23, the State Board of Registration of Professional Engineers intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

OVERVIEW: Adds 864 IAC 1.1-15 which establishes the requirements for continuing education.

Board Members Present:

John Sauer, Presiding Officer
Harold Snead
Kenneth Spaulding
Chris A. Gwaltney
Jim Erb
John Beery
Mark Downey

Comments from the Public:

1. Vincent Drnevich, Purdue University
2. Katherine Graham, ASCE
3. Tim Wertz, State of Indiana
4. Eric Wathen, Rinker Materials
5. Gary Staats, ISPE
6. Brad Bowen, Purdue University
7. Ross Snider, ACEC Indiana
8. David Kish, Purdue University
9. Anthony Jones, INDOT
10. Steve Weintraut, former president of ACEC

There were no comments from the board.
There were technical amendments recommended by LSA.

Board Action: The board took the comments under advisement regarding LSA Document # 07-664 as proposed and as published in the Indiana Register and to continue the discussion and the final vote until the April meeting.

*For details of the comments, please contact the agency to get information to order the transcript.

B. TITLE 864 STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION for PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

LSA Document #07-663

Under IC 4-22-2-23, the State Board of Registration of Professional Engineers intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

OVERVIEW: Amends 864 IAC 1.1-5-1 and 864 IAC 1.1-5-4, concerning requirements for registration of professional engineers applying by comity.

Board Members Present:

John Sauer, Presiding Officer
Harold Snead
Kenneth Spaulding
Chris A. Gwaltney
Jim Erb
John Beery
Mark Downey

There were no comments from the board.
There were no comments from the public.

Board Action: A motion was made to adopt LSA Document # 07-663 as proposed and as published in the Indiana Register.

Downey/Snead
Motion carried 6/0/0

V. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. None.

VI. PETITIONS FOR REVIEW

A. Robert Trajkovski

The board is taking the petition under advisement, because Mr. Trajkovski can be admitted to the PE; however, according to the code he must pass the FE before he can take the PE. Staff is to send a letter explaining the timeline of exams required for licensure.

B. Matthew D. Vinson

Board Action: A motion was made to allow him to take the exam and to hold the petition for review as moot.

Downey/Spaulding
Motion carried 7/0/0

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

A. In the Matter of Christopher J. Dowse

Administrative Cause No.: SBRPE 08-02

Re: Denial of Registration as a Professional Engineer by Comity

Parties Present:

Mr. Dowse was present without counsel

The State of Indiana was not present as this is an initial application matter.

Board Members Present:

John Sauer, Hearing Officer

Harold Snead

Kenneth Spaulding

Chris A. Gwaltney

Jim Erb

John Beery

Mark Downey

Witnesses:

Christopher Dowse

Board Action: A motion was made to allow Mr. Dowse the opportunity to submit additional information to the board by May 2, 2008.

Erb/Snead
Motion carried 7/0/0

B. In the Matter of James M. Wilson

Administrative Cause No.: SBRPE 08-03

Re: Denial of Registration as a Professional Engineer by Comity

Parties Present:

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Mr. Wilson was present without counsel
The State of Indiana was not present as this is an initial application matter.

Board Members Present:

John Sauer, Hearing Officer
Harold Snead
Kenneth Spaulding
Chris A. Gwaltney
Jim Erb
John Beery
Mark Downey

Witnesses:

James Wilson

Board Action: A motion was made to accept Mr. Wilson's request to withdraw his application and petition for review.

Erb/Gwaltney
Motion carried 7/0/0

VIII. CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ORDERS

A. In the Matter of Nicholas A. Laswell

Administrative Cause No.: SBRPE 07-12

Re: Denied to sit for the professional engineers' exam. **(New Application Approved - Moot)**

Board Action: A motion was made to dismiss this matter as being moot.

Snead/Spaulding
Motion carried 6/0/0

IX. PROPOSED DISMISSAL

None

X. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Statute and Rules
Re: Possible Modifications
- b. Goal Setting
Re: Board Goal Setting
 1. **The BS + 30:** This is set to go into effect in 2015 and will require legislation.
 2. **Comity:** The board had the rules hearing on this issue today.
 3. **Investigators:** The rules which address the Investigative fund are in the process of having the fiscal impact prepared.
 4. **Communication:** Newsletter. Send over the e-version of the minutes to the boards as a start.
 5. **Questions:** Does the NCEES hold or sponsor training for investigators? Staff is to follow up on this to see if they do host this.

6. **New Members:** Prepare for the future. Nothing new was discussed.
7. **Approved Programs:** How does the board evaluate the education and curriculum? There was discussion about an article out about the way foreign degrees are evaluated and that Indiana has not made it easy for foreign graduates to get licensure. This would not be true as Indiana simply reviews the submission of the evaluation service and approves licensure accordingly.

- c. Andrew E. Olson
Re: Request to sit for the Structural Engineer II Exam

Board Action: A motion was made grant him permission to take the Structural Exam.

Beery/Downey
Motion carried 6/0/0

- d. Wallace N. Jensen
Re: Reinstatement of Professional Engineers License

The matter was tabled until further notice of the statutory change.

- e. Joint meeting with the Architect Board
Re: Discussion on the practice of each profession

As a first step, send an engineering board member to the next Architect board meeting to hear what they have to say and then work towards any additional meetings, etc. Mark Downey will be the representative and will be present at 9:00 a.m. Also, invite a member of their board to the engineering board meeting.

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Nathan Eastway
Re: Request for Exclusion from 864 IAC 1.1-4.7-7

Staff is to send a letter to Mr. Eastway telling him to take one of the exams or miss April and October using up his attempts, because there is no waiver option available. If he exhausts his attempts, he then must qualify under 864 IAC 1.1-4.1-8 and must take additional courses, etc.

- b. NCEES
Re: Professional Practice Exam

The board reviewed the correspondence.

XII. PERMIT/LICENSURE APPLICATIONS

A motion was made and seconded to approve all recommendations and decisions made by the Board members on applications for licensure that were reviewed throughout the Board meeting.

Gwaltney/Snead
Motion carried 6/0/0

XIII. BOARD DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Number of Licenses Issued Report

They are as follows:

P.E.	183
EIT	10
Eng. Corp.	0

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and having completed its duties, the meeting of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers adjourned at 5:00 p.m.



John Sauer – Chairperson
State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers

4-17-08

Date

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER
BOARD MEETING
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EIT APPLICANTS DENIED OR QUESTIONABLE

APPLICANT	APPROVED	TABLED	DENIED
Tidwell, Jason (prev. denied)	✓	/	/
Byers, Stephen	/	/	✓
Duffy, Michael	/	/	✓
Lim, Soojung	✓	/	/
Ahuja, Nitesh	/	/	✓
Miller, Matthew M.	✓	/	/
Moosebrugger, Eric J.	✓	/	/
Minchev, Lachezar N.	/	/	✓
Albert, Dominic	/	/	/

already passed -

PE EXAM APPLICANTS DENIED OR QUESTIONABLE

APPLICANT	APPROVED	TABLED	DENIED
Bow, Michael	/	/	/
Gilmer, Laurie	/	✓	/
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PE COMITY APPLICANTS DENIED OR QUESTIONABLE

APPLICANT	APPROVED	TABLED	DENIED
Dhodapkar, Satish (prev. tbld)	/	✓	/
Bistue, J. Gabriel	✓	/	/
Davis, Stephen	✓	/	/
Deng, Zhilong	✓	/	/
Dixon, Louis	✓	/	/
Giles, Anthony	/	✓	/
Hemme, James	✓	/	/
Tredinnick, Glen	/	/	✓

Consumo, Nelson	_____	/	✓	/	_____
Goyal, Harish	_____	/	✓	/	_____
Voelkerding, Scott	_____	/	✓	/	_____
Ryan, Thomas	_____	/	✓	/	_____
Talukder, Md Nurul	_____	/		/	_____
Zhang, Weiqun	✓	/		/	_____
Ellickal, Soorya S.	✓	/		/	_____
Eshetu, Meskerem	_____	/		/	_____
Aidoo, John	_____	/		/	_____
Miller, Jason J.	_____	/		/	_____
Ajlouni, Mohammad A.	_____	/		/	_____
Query, Jonathan	_____	/		/	_____
Wei, Ting	_____	/		/	✓
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APPLICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION:

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