

MINUTES

STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

Meeting Held
Thursday, November 18, 2010

Indiana Government Center South
302 West Washington Street, Room W064
Indianapolis, Indiana

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Harold Snead called the meeting to order at 9:15a.m. in 402 West Washington Street, Room W072, Indianapolis, Indiana and declared a quorum in accordance with IC§ 25-31.

Members Present

Harold Snead (Board Chairman)
Vincent Drnevich
Mark Downey
John Sauer

Members Not Present

Jim Erb
Kenneth Spaulding

Staff Present

Crystal Heard, Assistant Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
James Schmidt, Board Advisor, Office of the Attorney General

II. ADOPTION /AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES OF September 16, 2010

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

Drnevich/Downey
Motion carried 5/0/0

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

John Sauer had nothing new to report.

IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Dale Connelly

Mr. Connelly appeared before the board seeking to have license reinstated. His license has been expired since 2006. He is currently licensed in Illinois.

Board Action: Motion was made to reinstate license without penalty.

Sauer/Downey
Motion carried 4/0/0

B. Michael Wetzel

Mr. Wetzel appeared before the board to discuss letter that is to be sent out to clients he represented while his license was expired.

Board Action: Motion made to approve letter with modification to include list of consultants and the consultants' clients and permitting agency, i.e., IDEM, Homeland Security.

Downey/Drnevich

Motion carried 4/0/0

V. PETITIONS FOR REVIEW

A. Michael Bojack

Board Action: A motion was made to deny petition for review.

Sauer/Drnevich

Motion carried 4/0/0

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

A. In the Matter of Patrick Knoll

Parties Present

Mr. Knoll was present without counsel

Members Present

Harold Snead (Hearing Officer)

John Sauer

Mark Downey

Vincent Drnevich

Case Summary:

Mr. Knoll's license is on probation since he practiced engineering in the State of Indiana while his license was expired. Mr. Knoll informed the board he has met the terms of his probation and is seeking to have his license removed from probation.

Board Action: Motion was made to have Mr. Knoll's license be removed from probation.

Downey/Drnevich

4/0/0

Motion carried

VII. CONSIDERATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE ORDERS

None

VIII. DELIBERATIONS AND POSSIBLE ISSUANCE OF FINAL ORDER

A. In the Matter of Richard Eugene Durham

Board has to table deliberations as there is a quorum issue since board liaison will have to abstain.

IX. NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEFAULT

A.

X. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Continuing Education

A representative from INDOT Human Resources office of Employee Development/Training, Daryl Mickens came to speak to the board regarding a prospective CE course. The board gave recommendations as to how INDOT can present the course and be acceptable to the board.

American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) will have two (2) one hour sessions web based that will be released at the beginning of the year that will cover ethics and Indiana statutes and rules.

The Indiana Society of Professional Engineers provides continuing education courses on the Indiana Statutes and Rules.

The 2011 Road School at Purdue University on March 08 - 10, 2011 will provide sessions on Indiana Statutes and Rules and on Ethics in Engineering Practice. These courses will be electronically transmitted to the INDOT Districts.

Board Action: Motion made to have staff develop a checklist for approving course applications. Board authorized staff to approve course applications. For cases which are questionable, staff must consult one or more members of the Board.

Drnevich/Sauer
Motion carried 4/0/0

B. Structural Exam

Question was given to John Sauer regarding the new 16 hour Structural exam that will replace Structural I and II, can one take the one portion of the exam and become a licensed PE in Indiana?

Board Action: Motion made for staff regarding April 2011 exam candidates to look for individuals taking the new 16 hour Structural exam to need to pass the full 16 hours be considered passed the Principles and Practice Examination.

Sauer/Downey
Motion carried 4/0/0

C. Use of Seal question

Board discussed email sent by Steve Cumbie, in which the board stands with statute in which he included in his email.

D. Statute and Rules

Re: Possible Modifications - **864 IAC 1.1-4.1-7(e)**
Jim and John Sauer will discuss prior to next meeting.

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

XII. PERMIT/LICENSURE APPLICATIONS

XIII. BOARD DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A.

XIV. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A. Unlicensed Practice City of Franklin situation

Mark Downey decided to recuse himself from the decision to issue a cease and desist order regarding the matter of unlicensed practice. With this recusal the board could not make a decision because of a lack of a quorum.

B. Election of Officers

Board Action: Motion made to have Harold Snead as Chair and John Sauer as vice chair for 2011.
Downey/ Drnevich
Motion carried 4/0/0

Board Action: Motion made to have John Sauer to also remain as Liaison.
Downey/Drnevich
Motion carried 4/0/0

XV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Engineering Board adjourned at 4:04 p.m.



Harold Snead - Chairperson
State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers

20 JAN 2011
Date