

**A-E JOINT BOARD
EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS,
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS AND LAND SURVEYORS
MADISON, WI
October 14, 2009**

- PRESENT:** James Rusch, Scott Berg, Rosheen Styczinski, Rick Van Goethem, Matthew Janiak, Daniel Sheldon, Steven Hook (arrived at 9:33), Charles Kopplin, Martin Hanson, Lawrence Schnuck, Julia De Cicco, Steven Tweed, Gary Gust, Ruth G. Johnson
- EXCUSED:** Wayne Tlusty, Thomas Gasperetti, Steven Neilsen, James Mickowski, Walter Wilson, Michael Kinney and Nancy Ragland
- ABSENT:** Gary Kohlenberg and Bernie Abrahamson
- STAFF PRESENT:** Yolanda McGowan, Bureau Director; Peggy Wichmann, Legal Counsel; Michelle Solem, Bureau Assistant
- GUESTS:** John Kannard – Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors (WSLS), Francis Thousand (WSLS) and Bill Babcock, American Institute of Architects – Wisconsin (AIA-WI)

CALL TO ORDER

Martin Hanson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. A quorum of 13 members was present.

AGENDA

Amendments

- Include NCESS Annual Meeting update from James Rusch under New Business.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: James Rusch moved, seconded by Lawrence Schnuck, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 22, 2009

Amendments

- Bottom of page 4 under Professional Engineers report. At the end of the first sentence add “which includes several professional societies”
- Page 7 top paragraph – designers report – last sentence – change to read – “The sections long term plans are to review the application appraisal form, provide definition in chapter 443 regarding omissions and definitions relating to designer of engineering systems and review of

the grandfather clause. Continuing education requirements are not being considered for review at this time.

MOTION: James Rusch moved, seconded by Lawrence Schnuck, to approve the Minutes of April 22, 2008 as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2010

MOTION: Ruth G. Johnson nominated the 2009 slate of officers for reelection with Martin Hanson as Chair, Rosheen Styczinski as Vice Chair, and James Rusch as Secretary.

The chair called for additional nominations three times before calling the vote.

The current slate of officers was re-elected by a unanimous vote.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT YOLANDA MCGOWAN, BUREAU DIRECTOR

Yolanda McGowan reminded the Board that the 2010 meeting dates were in front of them. She informed the Board that the reason for elections at this time is to allow for global board chair training in December. The officers would not take office until the first meeting of 2010 but would be invited to the training.

2010 Meeting Dates

Yolanda McGowan directed the Board's attention to the 2010 meeting and screening dates within their red folder items. It was indicated that this item was provided for informational purposes.

LEGISLATION/ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Final Adoption of CR09-030 Relating to Administrative Code and Statute Citations for Land Surveying Experience

MOTION: James Rusch moved, seconded by Rosheen Styczinski, to adopt CR09-030. Motion carried unanimously.

Final Adoption of CR09-033 Relating to the Definitions of Supervision, Direct Supervision, Responsible Charge and Direction and Control

MOTION: Charles Kopplin moved, seconded by Lawrence Schnuck, to Adopt CR09-033. Motion carried unanimously.

Final Adoption of CR09-034 Relating to Failure to Respond to Information Requests in Conjunction with an Investigation of a Complaint Filed Against a Registrant

MOTION: Matthew Janiak moved, seconded by James Rusch, to Adopt CR09-034. Motion carried unanimously.

Steven Hook joined the meeting at 9:33

Update on Legislation Related to Landscape Architect Practice Act

Rosheen Styczinski told the board that the bill and companion bill are awaiting a hearing date in their respective committees.

Update on Legislation Related to Professional Engineering Licensure

Martin Hanson reported that AB 288 will be discussed in front of the Committee on Labor at 1:00 pm today at the capitol. He briefly described the proposed changes made by the legislators. Lawrence Schnuck asked the Board to consider creating a rule to allow Accredited Board Engineering and Technology (ABET) as the standard for evaluating degrees. James Rusch noted that graduates of ABET accredited programs do better than graduates of any other program. James Rusch suggested that the Board look to the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) standards for surveyors and engineers. He noted that if Wisconsin were to adopt the NCEES model law, the standards for entrance would be higher than those currently in place. It would also place us in the same category as professionals world-wide and it would be easier for professionals to obtain licensure in other states.

Discussion of Rule Draft and White Paper Relating to Use of Certificates in A-E 2.02(8) (b)

This most often occurs when the original drafter is no longer available or the original document has been altered. This discussion was tabled to the next meeting.

Section Update on 2007 Wisconsin Act 47 Relating to Continuing Education for Architects, Landscape

Martin Hanson asked that each section report on this item during the section member report.

SECTION MEMBER REPORTS

ARCHITECTS

Lawrence Schnuck noted that the Architect section reported that the Architecture Registration Exam (ARE) proposal has made it through the Clearinghouse, had a public hearing and is moving forward. They are working on moving the continuing education through the process as well. Walter Wilson attended the NCARB conference in the spring and will report at a future meeting.

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

Rosheen Styczinski reported that she attended the CLARB meeting this fall and reported on some legislation that would require continuing education that would give the section full practice act authority. Lastly, that their continuing education rule has had a public hearing.

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

Charles Kopplin reported that the Professional Engineers have received public comments related to continuing education. They are implementing NCEES standards to formulate the Wisconsin continuing education program for professional engineers. Steven Hook reported that the electronic signature rule is at a standstill with the retirement of Bill Black, however the state committee on

electronic signatures is still moving forward with developing the rule. Martin Hanson reported that their public member submitted his resignation at the last Section meeting.

DESIGNERS

Scott Berg announced the Section officers for 2010. Their focus has been on Chapter 443 related to designers of engineering systems. He also noted that they are not currently working on continuing education rules.

LAND SURVEYORS

Rick Van Goethem mentioned that Ruth G. Johnson has joined the Section as a public member. He told the Board that the Section is working on details of their continuing education requirements. The continuing education rule was a joint effort between the Department, WSLs and the Section. The Section is now working cooperatively with the WSLs on rules relating to unlicensed practice. Frank Thousand (WSLS) informed the Board that they are in the process of drafting legislation AB 271 which redefines LSR. There is an amendment to the Bill that was introduced yesterday. There are a couple of controversial areas in the Bill. According to Jim Rusch, under federal guidelines, Wisconsin Land Surveyors are not recognized as professionals because there are no national standard educational requirements. This definition does have an impact on the way that the Federal government awards contracts.

NEW BUSINESS

James Rusch provided a report regarding his experience with NCEES. The current requirement for the model exam is under redevelopment at this time. Businesses within the United States are seeking engineers that are educated abroad due to the additional educational requirements of the foreign degrees. Model law for NCEES requires a bachelors degree plus 30 upper level credits in Engineering and a Masters Degree or equivalent.

The Board scheduled a teleconference for final adoption of the surveyor continuing education rule. This meeting was scheduled for 1:00 on Monday, September 19, 2009.

Scott Berg asked for contact information for the entire Board.

SUCH OTHER ITEMS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Matthew Janiak moved, seconded by James Rusch, to adjourn the meeting at 10:32 am. Motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: April 21, 2010