

**STATE OF MAINE  
BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS**

**MINUTES  
Thursday, March 12, 2026  
9:00AM**

**Meeting location:** 77 Sewall Street #3001, Augusta, Maine

**1. Call to Order, Minutes and Meeting Preliminaries**

**A. Call to order:** 9:01 AM

**B. Attendance:** The following Board members and Board staff were in attendance: Brent Bridges, PE, Chair; Jude Pearse, PE; Robert Dorko, PE; Robert Chaput, Jr., PE; Kimberly Powers, PE; Timothy Steigelman, Assistant Attorney General; Mary E. Hansen, Supervisor of Licensing; and Christine Wojdyla, Executive Director.

A member of the public also appeared.

The above-named Board members are 5 of 6 current members, which constitutes a quorum.

**C. Approval of minutes:**

On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to approve the revised January 2026 meeting minutes. No discussion.

**Public Comment**

A member of the public presented information and raised concerns regarding the PE structural examination. Discussion occurred. The Structural Engineers Association of Maine (SEAM) would prepare correspondence for Board reference and use during the Central/Northeastern Zone Joint Interim meeting hosted by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying.

**2. Reports**

**A. Executive Committee (Chair/Vice Chair)**

**B. Finance Committee (Chaput)**

1. Cash Balance as of February 28, 2024: \$1,518,752
2. Cash Balance as of February 28, 2026: \$1,917,554
3. Active PE Licensees March 14, 2024: 7345
4. Active PE Licensees as of March 5, 2026: 7758
5. PEs in Expired Status as of March 5, 2026: 737

**D. Rules Committee (Powers/Bridges)**

1. Memorandum regarding Comity Licensure, Engineering Experience, and the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Examination  
Board directed staff to supplement the existing memorandum for June 2026 meeting.

**D. Information Committee (Pearse/Dorko)**

**E. Complaint Presentation (Powers et al.)**

1. Case E25-002

Upon motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the Board voted 4-0 to dismiss the complaint. Discussion occurred. Abstention from Powers.

**F. Professional Development Committee**

**G. Special Committees**

**5. Communications**

**A. Newsletter – February 2026**

1. Next Edition

**6. Applications**

**A. Review and concurrence with actions by staff**

1. Comity PE Licenses - NCEES Record Holders
2. Comity PE Licenses - Paper Applications
3. Initial PE Licenses by Examination
4. Engineer Intern Certifications

On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to approve the applications identified under Section 6A(1-4) as proposed by staff. No discussion.

**B. Applications (Staff)**

1. Andrew Banatis

On motion by Powers and second by Pearse, the board voted 5-0 to license. No discussion.

2. Ivan Bird

On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. No discussion.

3. James Barbis

Board directed staff contact to contact applicant to obtain more information regarding past eight (8) years of work experience. On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to table pending a response from applicant. Discussion occurred.

4. Joseph Kula

On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. No discussion.

5. Kevin Feak  
On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 4-0 to issue a preliminary denial with opportunity to withdraw. No discussion. Powers recused.
6. Massoud Saed  
On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. Discussion occurred.
7. Samantha Anderson  
On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. No discussion.

### **C. Renewals**

1. Andrew Leone (Renewal, 12/22/2025) PE17512  
On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. Discussion occurred.
2. C H David Tan (Renewal, 12/31/2025) PE9599  
On motion by Chaput and second by Pearse, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. No discussion.
3. Michael McLaren (Renewal, 12/16/2025) PE16699  
On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. Discussion occurred.
4. William Blackwell (Renewal, 12/11/2025) PE17603  
On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. Discussion occurred.
5. Peter Leptuch (Renewal, 12/16/2025) PE12792  
On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. Discussion occurred.
6. Venkata Rohit Grandhi (Renewal, 12/30/2025) PE19483  
On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. No discussion.
7. Birkie Ayer, Jr. (Renewal, 12/15/2025) PE17432  
On motion by Chaput and second by Pearse, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. No discussion.
8. David Howard (Renewal, 12/16/2025) PE10551  
On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 5-0 to issue a preliminary denial with opportunity to withdraw. Discussion occurred.

9. Loren Taylor Joyce (Renewal, 12/31/2025), PE15074  
On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 5-0 to table until June 2026. Board directed staff to pursue a second attempt to obtain more information.
10. Nicholas Achorn (Reinstatement/Renewal, 02/20/2026)  
On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. Discussion occurred.

**D. Education Review**

1. A. Constantine  
On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to issue an advisory ruling. Delegated to Chair to sign.

**E. Tabled or previously considered**

1. Ibrahim Mohamed Osman (Renewal, 11/04/2025) PE16946  
On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 5-0 to issue a preliminary denial with an opportunity to withdraw. Discussion occurred.
2. Peter Perkins (Renewal, 12/23/2025) PE8251  
On motion by Powers and second by Pearse, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. No discussion.
3. Ryan Hudock (Renewal, 12/30/2025) PE18174  
On motion by Powers and second by Pearse, the board voted 5-0 to issue a preliminary denial. Discussion occurred.
4. Vincent Campisi (Renewal, 11/05/2025) PE11972  
On motion by Powers and second by Pearse, the board voted 5-0 to approve licensure. Discussion occurred.
5. Christopher Johns (Renewal, 11/13/2025) PE18889  
On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 5-0 to table until information has been received. Discussion occurred.

**F. Other**

1. Renewal Applications Pending from 2023-2024  
On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 5-0 to close the five (5) listed applications outside renewal period. Discussion occurred. On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 5-0 to direct staff to close incomplete files after the previous renewal cycle. Discussion occurred.

**7. FE Exam Waiver**

**A. Tabled or previously considered**

1. Olubusuyi Ayowole (FE Waiver Request)

On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 5-0 to deny. No discussion.

## **8. Pending Business**

### **A. Disciplinary Status and License Lookup**

On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 5-0 to direct staff that put status on system. Discussion occurred.

### **B. Voting on Board Positions**

On motion by Pearse and second by Powers, the board voted 4-0 for Brent Bridges, PE to serve as Chair of the Board. Abstention by Bridges. On motion by Pearse and second by Chaput, the board voted 4-0 for Kim Powers, PE to serve as Vice Chair of the Board. Abstention by Powers.

### **C. 2026 NCEES Zone Meeting**

### **D. Francis Crowe Society Induction Ceremony – University of Maine**

## **9. New Business**

### **A. Legislative Update**

### **B. Windstorm Challenge – May 1, 2026**

On motion by Powers and second by Pearse, the board voted 5-0 to delegate to Bridges to support sponsorship at platinum level. Discussion occurred.

### **C. Open Application Period**

Board staff was Directive to Board staff to research solutions.

### **D. Education Qualifications – Allied Science Degrees**

Board directed staff to collect research and to present when ready.

### **E. Retired Status and Disciplinary History**

Board directed staff to obtain a couple of examples. Staff should continue to bring Board applications seeking retired status with discipline.

### **F. Delegation Authority**

On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 5-0 to delegate to subpoena authority to Executive Director, with Chair to have signatory authority. Discussion occurred.

### **G. PDH Requirements and Renewal Status Under Title 5**

Board directing staff to research further and to present information at a later meeting.

**Chaput exited meeting at approximately 12:57 PM. Quorum was maintained.**

### **H. Sponsorship Request**

On motion by Powers and second by Pearse, the board voted 4-0 to delegate to Bridges to support sponsorship at silver level. Discussion occurred.

**I. 2026 NCEES Annual Meeting – Funded Delegates**

**10. Adjournment**

**B. Meeting Adjourned: 1:10 PM**

On motion by Pearse and second by Dorko, the board voted 4-0 to adjourn. No discussion.