STATE OF MAINE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

MINUTES Thursday, March 23, 2023

Meeting location: Live and remote, Augusta ME.

<u>Attending</u>: Board members attending remotely: Brent Bridges, PE, Chair; Joyce Taylor, PE, Vice Chair; Jude Pearse, PE; Mandy Holway, PE, Complaint Officer. In person in the Augusta meeting space: David Jackson, Executive Director.

1. Call to Order, Minutes and preliminaries

- **A.** Meeting called to order at 9:31 AM.
- **B.** Approval of Minutes from January 19, 2023: On motion by Taylor and second by Holway, the board voted 4-0 to accept the Minutes of the board meeting held January 19, 2023. The roll call vote was: In favor: Bridges, Taylor, Pearse, Holway. No opposition.

2. <u>Committee Reports</u>

A. Executive Committee (Chair)

B. Finance Committee (Taylor)

- 1. Book balance on March 20, 2023 was \$971,242
- 2. Book balance on March 15, 2021 was \$574,438
- 3. The number of active licensees on March 20, 2023 was 7290
- 4. The number of active licensees on March 15, 2021 was 6796

C. <u>Rules Committee</u> (Vacant)

D. Examinations Committee

E. Information Committee (Pearse)

The following are proposed articles for the next newsletter:

- 1. NCEES exam results
- 2. NCEES exam updates (CBT conversion, updated specifications)
- 3. Complaint Update
- 4. Profile of new staff
- 5. Stakeholder meeting
- 6. Remind when PE required for design/construction

- 7. Advisory Ruling
- F. <u>Complaint Committee</u> (Holway)
- G. Professional Development Committee (Bridges)
- H. Special Committees

3. Communications

4. Applications

A. Review and concurrence with PE licensure actions by staff

- 1. Comity licenses for NCEES Record holders.
- 2. Comity licenses with paper forms.
- 3. Initial licenses by written examination.

B. Recently Certified Engineer Interns

On motion by Pearse and second by Taylor the board voted 4-0 to ratify licensing action taken by staff in Items 4-A and 4-B. The roll call vote was as follows: In favor: Bridges, Taylor, Pearse, Holway. No opposition.

C. Engineer Intern (EI) Applications (Staff)

D. Professional Engineer (PE) Applications (Staff)

Andrew Chillo, PE

On motion by Taylor and second by Pearse the board voted 4-0 to preliminarily deny licensure based on failure to meet licensure qualifications, specifically the education requirement. The roll call vote: In favor: Bridges, Taylor, Pearse, Holway. No opposition.

1. Brian Salter, PE

On motion by Pearse and second by Taylor the board voted 4-0 to table for review at the June board meeting with the Executive Director instructed to request additional verification of work experience. The roll call vote: In favor: Bridges, Taylor, Pearse, Holway. No opposition.

E. Tabled or previously considered

F. Other applications or requests

5. <u>Pending Business</u>

A. Committee Assignments

Postponed for an unspecified future date when board members are appointed.

6. <u>New Business</u>

- **A.** Travel for NCEES Interim Zone Meeting, April 27-29, Houston, TX. Board members to submit travel documents to Executive Director.
- B. Pending board member appointments. Executive Director instructed to reach out to Boards and Commissions this week, by Friday.
- **C.** Statutes that we are monitoring include:
 - **a.** LD 146 "An Act to Clarify Assessment of Fines for Tattoo Artists, Body Piercers, Electrologists and Micropigmentation Practitioners and to Change Requirements for the Approval of Public Pool and Spa Plans"
 - b. LD 354 "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Use of Engineers on Public Works Projects over \$100,000"
 Executive Director instructed to represent Board to achieve Board goals for LD 354.
- **D.** NCEES State of the Council Notes Review of ED notes from State of the Council Meeting.
- E. Executive Director report on Engineering Expo approximately 620 attended
- **F.** Board policy for meetings is that no materials will be accepted for consideration at a meeting after the Friday before the meeting.
- **G.** Francis Crowe Ceremony pins and honor cords. Executive Director to contact UMaine College of Engineering and NCEES regarding Francis Crowe Ceremony. Provide list of FE examinees to Pearse.

7. Adjournment

- **A.** Next scheduled meeting is June 15, 2023.
- B. Meeting adjourned at 10:38 AM.
 On motion by Taylor and second by Holway the board voted 4-0 to adjourn. The roll call vote: In favor: Bridges, Taylor, Pearse, Holway. No opposition.